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# FOREWORD

Each year the Institut de la statistique du Québec publishes this practical brochure, which collates basic statistical information about Québec society.

*Québec Handy Numbers* contains a wide range of demographic and economic data for Québec as a whole, as well as some illustrations to help clarify the reading. In addition, the last section, entitled "Regions at a Glance", provides an overview of the 17 administrative regions.

Therefore, the content of this brochure addresses everyone in search of information on Québec and its regions.

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**Note**

As a result of the rounding off of some data, the total may not necessarily equal the sum of its parts.

**Symbols**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| e | Estimated data | .. | Data not available |
| p | Preliminary data | ... | Not applicable |
| r | Revised data | — | Negligible data |
| x | Confidential | – | Void or zero |

**Abbreviations**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| °C | Degree Celsius | PPP | Purchasing power parity |
| cm | Centimetre | t | Metric tonne |
| CTE | Complete time equivalent | t eq. CO | Tonne carbon dioxide equivalent |
| d | Day | | |
| ha | Hectare | toe | Tonne oil equivalent |
| inhab. | Inhabitant | °W | Degree of longitude West |
| km | Kilometre | wk | Week |
| km² | Square kilometre | yr | Year |
| kWh | Kilowatt-hour | $ | Canadian dollars |
| m³ | Cubic metre | $ US | US dollars |
| mm | Millimetre | % | Percent or percentage |
| n | Number | k | In thousands |
| °N | Degree of latitude North | M | In millions |
| | | G | In billions |

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| | Unit | |
|---|---|---|
| **AREA OF QUÉBEC**[1] | | |
| Total Area[2] | km² | 1,667,441 |
| Land area | km² | 1,312,126 |
| Water area | km² | 355,315 |
| Freshwater | km² | 201,753 |
| Saltwater[3] | km² | 153,562 |
| Public land (excluding marine environment) | % | 92 |
| Private land | % | 8 |
| **OUTER LIMITS** | | |
| North | °N. | 62°34'56" |
| South | °N. | 44°59'29" |
| East | °W. | 56°56'06" |
| West | °W. | 79°45'55" |
| **BORDERS** (proportion of total perimeter) | | |
| Land limits | % | 50 |
| Maritime limits | % | 38 |
| Fluvial limits | % | 12 |
| **TERRITORIAL DIVISION** (on December 31, 2006) | | |
| Administrative regions | n | 17 |
| RCM and equivalent territories | n | 103 |
| Municipalities | n | 1,293 |
| Local municipalities | n | 1,139 |
| Amerindian territories | n | 57 |
| Unorganized territories | n | 97 |
| **ST. LAWRENCE RIVER**[4] | | |
| Area of Montréal drainage basin (at Mercier Bridge) | km² | 940,192 |
| Area of Québec city drainage basin | km² | 1,063,107 |
| Area of Matane drainage basin | km² | 1,274,835 |

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| | Unit | |
|---|---|---|
| **VEGETATION**[5] | | |
| Continental area according to the 1998 ecological classification[6] | $km^2$ | 1,514,100 |
| Vegetation zone | | |
| Low Arctic | $km^2$ | 236,000 |
| Forest Tundra[7] | $km^2$ | 217,100 |
| Taiga[7] | $km^2$ | 299,900 |
| Forest | $km^2$ | 761,100 |
| Boreal | $km^2$ | 551,400 |
| Mixed | $km^2$ | 98,600 |
| Deciduous | $km^2$ | 111,100 |

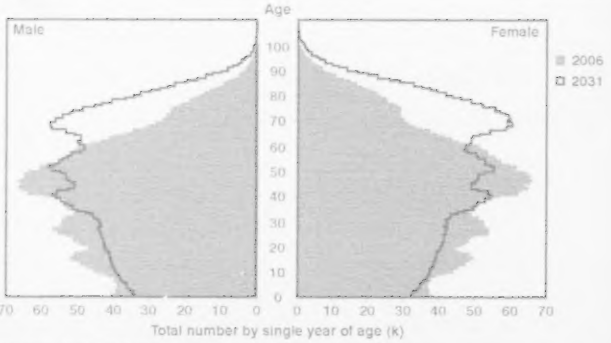
| | | Montréal | Québec | Sept-Îles | Kuujjuaq |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION**[8] | | | | | |
| Average yearly temperature | °C | 6.1 | 4.0 | 0.8 | – 5.7 |
| Average daily temperature in January | °C | – 10.4 | – 12.8 | – 15.3 | – 24.3 |
| Average daily temperature in July | °C | 20.9 | 19.2 | 15.3 | 11.5 |
| Frost-free days | n | 210.3 | 189.4 | 163.2 | 115.1 |
| Annual rainfall | mm | 760.0 | 923.8 | 757.4 | 277.2 |
| Annual snowfall | cm | 214.2 | 315.9 | 412.0 | 257.1 |

**ENVIRONMENT**

| | | 1995 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Greenhouse gas emissions[9] | M t eq. $CO_2$ | 86.1 | 94.9 | 94.4 |
| Per capita | t eq. $CO_2$ | 11.9 | 12.7 | 12.5 |
| | | **1996** | **2002** | **2004** |
| Waste material[10] | | | | |
| Generated | M t | 8.3 | 11.3 | 11.4 |
| Per capita | t | 1.15 | 1.51 | 1.50 |
| Recycled | M t | 3.0 | 4.8 | 4.9 |
| Per capita | t | 0.41 | 0.64 | 0.64 |
| Recycling rate (on total waste material) | % | 36 | 42 | 43 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL POPULATION**[1] | k | 7,246.9 | 7,597.8[r] | 7,651.5[p] |
| Men | k | 3,568.4 | 3,749.8[r] | 3,777.3[p] |
| Women | k | 3,678.5 | 3,848.0[r] | 3,874.2[p] |
| 0-4 years | k | 459.1 | 373.4[r] | 379.7[p] |
| | % | 6.3 | 4.9 | 5.0 |
| 5-9 years | k | 461.1 | 406.4[r] | 393.9[p] |
| | % | 6.4 | 5.3 | 5.1 |
| 10-14 years | k | 460.6 | 478.8[r] | 468.1[p] |
| | % | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.1 |
| 15-19 years | k | 498.8 | 463.8[r] | 474.4[p] |
| | % | 6.9 | 6.1 | 6.2 |
| 20-24 years | k | 470.7 | 501.3[r] | 492.0[p] |
| | % | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.4 |
| 25-44 years | k | 2,382.1 | 2,207.1[r] | 2,195.1[p] |
| | % | 32.9 | 29.0 | 28.7 |
| 45-64 years | k | 1,645.5 | 2,121.7[r] | 2,172.9[p] |
| | % | 22.7 | 27.9 | 28.4 |
| 65-74 years | k | 524.0 | 567.9[r] | 579.5[p] |
| | % | 7.2 | 7.5 | 7.6 |
| 75 years and over | k | 345.0 | 477.4[r] | 495.8[p] |
| | % | 4.8 | 6.3 | 6.5 |

Pyramides of ages, Québec, 2006 and 2031




Sources: Statistics Canada and Institut de la statistique du Québec

| | Unit | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **AVERAGE AGE** | yr | 36.8 | 39.6 | 39.9 |
| Men | yr | 35.6 | 38.4 | 38.7 |
| Women | yr | 38.0 | 40.8 | 41.0 |

**POPULATION MOVEMENTS**[12]

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Total Growth** | n | 29,320 | 52,922[r] | 48,839[p] |
| Natural growth | n | 32,852 | 18,800[r] | 20,900[p] |
| Births | n | 85,130 | 74,068[r] | 76,100[p] |
| Deaths | n | 52,278 | 55,300[p] | 55,200[p] |
| Net migration | n | 5,577 | 34,136[r] | 30,583[p] |
| Immigrants | n | 29,806 | 44,244[r] | 43,315[p] |
| Emigrants | n | 8,871 | 6,811[r] | 6,858[p] |
| Interprovincial in-migrants | n | 20,848 | 23,215[r] | 25,039[p] |
| Interprovincial out-migrants | n | 36,206 | 26,512[p] | 30,913[p] |
| Variation in the number of non-permanent residents | n | – 1,142 | 414[r] | – 2,544[p] |
| Remainder | n | – 7,967 | – 396[r] | – 100[p] |
| **Fertility** | | | | |
| Total fertility rate | | 1.61 | 1.48[r] | 1.51[p] |
| Average age of motherhood | yr | 28.2 | 29.3 | 29.3[p] |
| First child | yr | 26.4 | 27.8 | 27.7[p] |
| Proportion of births outside of marriage | % | 52.8 | 58.9[r] | 59.3[p] |

**Mortality**

| | | 1995-1997 | 2002-2004 | 2003-2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Life expectancy at birth | | | | |
| Men | yr | 74.6 | 77.2[p] | 77.6[p] |
| Women | yr | 81.0 | 82.4[p] | 82.7[p] |
| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Total deaths per 1,000 people | n | 7.2 | 7.3[p] | 7.3[p] |
| Infant deaths per 1,000 live births | n | 4.6 | 4.2[p] | 4.3[p] |
| | | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
| Causes of death | | | | |
| Tumors | % | 30.9 | 32.2[r] | 32.7[p] |
| Circulatory system | % | 35.2 | 29.2[r] | 27.7[p] |
| Respiratory system | % | 8.4 | 8.1[r] | 9.1[p] |
| External causes[13] | % | 7.0 | 6.3[r] | 6.0[p] |
| Others | % | 18.5 | 24.2[r] | 24.5[p] |

| | Unit | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **NUPTIALITY AND MARITAL STATUS** | | | | |
| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Marriages | n | 23,963 | 21,279[r] | 22,234[p] |
| Divorces | n | 18,078 | .. | .. |
| | | 1996 | 2001 | |
| **Established Marital Status** | | | | |
| (population aged 15 and over)[14] | k | 5,766.6 | 5,945.9 | |
| Single | % | 28.4 | 28.3 | |
| Married | % | 59.6 | 59.2 | |
| Legally married | % | 45.7 | 42.2 | |
| Common-law marriage[15] | % | 13.9 | 17.0 | |
| Divorced | % | 5.8 | 6.3 | |
| Widowed | % | 6.2 | 6.2 | |
| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
| **LANDED IMMIGRANTS**[16] | n | 29,772 | 44,246 | 43,373[p] |
| **Continent and Region of Birth** | | | | |
| Africa | % | 16.7 | 26.7 | 26.4[p] |
| North Africa | % | 10.2 | 17.8 | 17.0[p] |
| Other regions | % | 6.5 | 8.9 | 9.4[p] |
| America | % | 17.1 | 19.1 | 20.6[p] |
| Central and South America | % | 7.2 | 13.0 | 14.3[p] |
| Other regions | % | 9.9 | 6.1 | 6.3[p] |
| Asia | % | 39.7 | 29.9 | 30.7[p] |
| Middle-East, Hither and Central Asia | % | 10.0 | 9.4 | 10.6[p] |
| Eastern Asia | % | 11.9 | 9.9 | 9.8[p] |
| Other regions | % | 17.8 | 10.6 | 10.3[p] |
| Europe | % | 26.4 | 24.2 | 22.2[p] |
| North-Western and Northern Europe | % | 9.8 | 10.6 | 10.4[p] |
| Eastern Europe | % | 9.8 | 12.6 | 10.9[p] |
| Southern Europe | % | 6.8 | 1.0 | 0.9[p] |
| Oceania and other countries | % | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1[p] |
| **Category** | | | | |
| Economic class[17] | % | 38.6 | 60.4 | 60.8[p] |
| Family class | % | 31.0 | 21.2 | 21.0[p] |
| Refugees | % | 29.9 | 16.7 | 16.5[p] |
| Other immigrants[17] | % | 0.5 | 1.8 | 1.7[p] |

# POPULATION

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2001 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **NATIVE LANGUAGE**[14] | | | |
| Québec Province | | | |
| French | % | 80.9 | 80.9 |
| English | % | 8.3 | 7.8 |
| Non-official language | % | 9.3 | 10.0 |
| More than one language | % | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Montréal CMA | | | |
| French | % | 67.0 | 67.3 |
| English | % | 13.0 | 12.1 |
| Non-official language | % | 17.7 | 18.5 |
| More than one language | % | 2.3 | 2.1 |

| | | 1996 | 2001 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **RESIDENTIAL ENVIRONMENT**[14] | | | |
| Urban | % | 78.4 | 80.4 |
| Rural | % | 21.6 | 19.6 |

| | | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CENSUS METROPOLITAN AREAS**[11] | k | 4,767.9 | 5,090.5 | 5,134.4 |
| Montréal | k | 3,379.2 | 3,636.8 | 3,666.3 |
| Québec | k | 684.0 | 714.8 | 723.3 |
| Gatineau[16] | k | 248.8 | 281.2 | 285.4 |
| Sherbrooke | k | 151.7 | 163.6 | 164.7 |
| Saguenay | k | 162.5 | 152.5 | 152.1 |
| Trois-Rivières | k | 141.8 | 141.6 | 142.6 |

| | | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CITIES OF 100,000 INHABITANTS AND OVER**[17] | | | | |
| Montréal | k | 1,571.6 | 1,633.3 | 1,633.7 |
| Québec | k | 479.9 | 495.1 | 498.6 |
| Laval | k | 334.9 | 371.1 | 376.8 |
| Gatineau | k | 220.6 | 246.7 | 249.4 |
| Longueuil | k | 230.6 | 232.1 | 232.0 |
| Sherbrooke | k | 137.0 | 147.8 | 148.2 |
| Saguenay | k | 154.7 | 144.8 | 144.3 |
| Lévis | k | 120.0 | 129.1 | 131.2 |
| Trois-Rivières | k | 126.2 | 126.2 | 126.9 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2001 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **FAMILIES**[20] | n | 1,949,975 | 2,019,555 |
| Two-parent | % | 84.1 | 83.4 |
| No children | % | 40.4 | 44.6 |
| With children | % | 59.6 | 55.4 |
| 1 child | % | 39.2 | 40.5 |
| 2 children | % | 42.9 | 42.2 |
| 3 or more children | % | 17.9 | 17.4 |
| Lone-parent | % | 15.9 | 16.6 |
| 1 child | % | 63.3 | 63.6 |
| 2 children | % | 28.4 | 27.9 |
| 3 or more children | % | 8.3 | 8.5 |
| Female lone parent | % | 81.6 | 79.7 |
| Male lone parent | % | 18.4 | 20.3 |
| | | 1995 | 2001 |
| Two-parent families with children[21] | % | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Intact | % | 89.4 | 87.6 |
| Step | % | 10.6 | 12.4 |
| | | 1996 | 2001 |
| Average number of people per family | n | 3.0 | 2.9 |
| Average number of children per family | n | 1.15 | 1.08 |
| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Proportion of two-parent families with children under 6 whose both parents are employed[22] | % | 56.2 | 67.4 | 68.3 |
| Proportion of lone-parent families with children under 6 whose parent is employed[22] | % | 45.8 | 64.4 | 63.5 |
| | | 1995-1996 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 |
| **Children Who Attend Day Care**[23] | n | ... | 182,235 | 193,053 |
| Childcare centre (facility) | % | ... | 39.7 | 39.0 |
| Childcare centre (in-home setting) | % | ... | 44.1 | 44.2 |
| Day care | % | ... | 16.3 | 16.8 |

# LIVING CONDITIONS

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2001 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **HOUSEHOLDS**[14] | n | 2,822,030 | 2,978,110 |
| According to type | | | |
| One-family | % | 67.8 | 66.1 |
| Multiple-family | % | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Non-family | % | 31.6 | 33.0 |
| According to size | | | |
| 1 person | % | 27.3 | 26.1 |
| 2 people | % | 31.5 | 33.5 |
| 3 people | % | 17.5 | 18.1 |
| 4 people | % | 16.0 | 15.7 |
| 5 or more people | % | 7.7 | 6.5 |
| Average number of people per household | n | 2.5 | 2.4 |

| | | 1996 | 2001 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **DWELLING**[14] | | | |
| **Tenure and Shelter Costs** | | | |
| Home-owner households | % | 56.2 | 57.9 |
| Average monthly property expenses | $ | 676 | 706 |
| Tenant households | % | 43.8 | 42.1 |
| Average monthly rent | $ | 506 | 529 |
| **Structural Type of Dwelling** | | | |
| Single-detached house | % | 45.1 | 46.0 |
| Single-attached house[24] | % | 7.8 | 8.3 |
| Apartment[24] | % | 46.5 | 45.0 |
| Mobile home | % | 0.6 | 0.7 |

| | | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE** (Social Security)[25] | | | | |
| Beneficiaries | n | 813,249 | 518,188 | 506,540 |
| Adults | n | 558,361 | 390,090 | 382,857 |
| Children | n | 254,888 | 128,098 | 123,683 |
| Total benefits paid | k$ | 309,475 | 232,365 | 233,911 |
| Average benefits paid | $ | 380.54 | 448.42 | 461.78 |
| Households | n | 483,060 | 348,698 | 343,337 |
| Total benefits paid | k$ | 309,475 | 232,365 | 233,911 |
| Average benefits paid | $ | 640.66 | 666.38 | 681.29 |

## HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

| | Unit | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Population health indicators**[26] | | 1996 | 2003 | 2005 |
| Population aged 12 and over considering themselves healthy[27] | % | .. | 89.2 | 89.8 |
| Men | % | .. | 90.6 | 90.3 |
| Women | % | .. | 87.9 | 89.3 |
| Rate of disability among the population aged 12 and over[28] | | | 28.7 | 27.1 |
| Men | % | .. | 26.4 | 25.9 |
| Women | % | .. | 31.0 | 28.4 |
| Overweight population aged 18 and over[29] | % | .. | 47.3 | 47.4 |
| Men | % | .. | 55.4 | 55.4 |
| Women | % | .. | 39.2 | 39.4 |
| Population aged 12 and over having consulted a health professional in the past 12 months[30] | % | .. | 92.4 | 93.3 |
| Men | % | .. | 89.2 | 90.5 |
| Women | % | .. | 95.6 | 95.9 |
| Population aged 12 and over having taken at least 3 different drugs in the last 2 days | % | .. | 22.0 | .. |
| Men | % | .. | 15.7 | .. |
| Women | % | .. | 28.0 | .. |
| Smokers among the population aged 18 and over | % | .. | 27.0 | 25.7 |
| Men | % | .. | 28.2 | 27.1 |
| Women | % | .. | 25.7 | 24.4 |
| | | 1996 | 2002 | 2004 |
| Smokers among secondary school students | % | .. | 23.1 | 18.8 |
| Men | % | .. | 20.1 | 14.8 |
| Women | % | .. | 26.2 | 22.9 |
| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
| **Health and social services system**[31] | | | | |
| Human Resources | | | | |
| Physicians per 1,000 people | n | 2.03 | 2.05 | 2.07 |
| General practitioners per 1,000 people | n | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.02 |

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Specialists per 1,000 people | n | 1.02 | 1.04 | 1.05 |
| Employees in the health and social services establishment network | CTE | 169,359 | 191,217 | 193,778 |
| Registered nurses in the health and social services establishment network | CTE | 36,830 | 42,674 | 43,122 |
| **Institutional Resources** | | | | |
| Health and social services establishments | n | 703 | 462 | 317 |
| Health and social services facilities | n | 2,128 | 1,795[r] | 1,784 |
| Set-up beds allotted to general and specialized care per 1,000 people[32] | n | 2.79 | 2.10 | 2.10 |
| Set-up beds allotted to psychiatric care per 1,000 people[32] | n | 0.77 | 0.50 | 0.46 |
| Set-up beds allotted to accommodation and long-term care per 1,000 people[32] | n | 6.23 | 5.54 | 5.51 |
| **Use of Services** | | | | |
| Average stay in short-term physical care | d | 7.46[r] | 7.31[r] | 7.26 |
| Medical services | k | 81,965 | 83,784 | 85,289 |
| Per capita | n | 11.3 | 11.1 | 11.3 |
| Reports followed up under the Youth Protection Act on 100 youths aged 17 and under | % | 1.45 | 1.89 | 1.88 |
| Accomodation rate for senior citizens aged 65 and over[32] | % | 4.50[r] | 3.54[r] | 3.48 |
| **Financial Resources** | | | | |
| Gross government expenditure per capita | $ | 2,020 | 2,959 | 3,019 |
| Proportion of real net expenditure allotted to clinical services | % | 65.9 | 70.1 | 70.3 |
| Private health expenditure as proportion of total | % | 27.8 | 28.3[r] | 28.4 |
| Home-care expenditure | M$ | 332.0 | 688.5 | 726.0 |
| Grants to community agencies | M$ | 127.5 | 302.4[r] | 326.6 |

Proportion of government expenditure allotted to the Health and Social Services mission, Québec, 1997-2006 (on March 31st)

Source: Ministère des Finances du Québec

| | Unit | 1995-1996 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **EDUCATION**[34] | | | | |
| **Educational Institutions**[35] | n | 3,214 | 3,130 | 3,131 |
| **School and Student Population** | | | | |
| Elementary[36] | n | 660,577 | 640,605 | 619,657 |
| Secondary – Youth sector | n | 492,629 | 467,594 | 480,319 |
| Elementary and Secondary – Adult sector | n | 226,317 | 254,893 | 258,979 |
| College | n | 241,875 | 195,442 | 193,227 |
| Mainstream of regular education | n | 179,154 | 160,975 | 159,956 |
| Adult education | n | 62,721 | 34,467 | 33,271 |
| University | n | 237,810 | 258,324 | 261,689 |
| Full-time | n | 132,470 | 161,548 | 164,644 |
| Part-time | n | 105,340 | 96,776 | 97,045 |
| **Diplomas Granted** | | | | |
| Secondary[37] | n | 111,762 | 105,393 | 108,440 |
| General education | n | 86,451 | 71,071 | 72,179 |
| Vocational education | n | 25,311 | 35,322 | 36,261 |
| College (Diploma of Collegial Studies)[38,39] | n | 40,579 | 41,593 | 41,290 |
| Pre-university education | n | 24,416 | 23,424 | 23,320 |
| Technical education | n | 16,163 | 18,165 | 17,970 |

| | Unit | 1995-1996 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| University[35] | n | 37,236 | 42,285 | 43,397 |
| Bachelor's degree | n | 29,602 | 31,553 | 32,117 |
| Master's degree | n | 6,547 | 9,515 | 10,002 |
| Doctor's degree | n | 1,087 | 1,217 | 1,278 |
| **Stages of Educational Experience** | | | | |
| Probability of obtaining first secondary school diploma | % | 88.4 | 84.2 | 85.4[p] |
| Probability of entering college | % | 63.3 | 57.9 | 59.3[p] |
| Probability of entering university (for a bachelor's degree) | % | 35.6 | 40.6 | 41.1 |
| **Public Network Teaching Staff**[37] | | | | |
| Elementary and Secondary[38] | CTE | 70,331 | 72,609 | 71,593 |
| College | CTE | 13,652 | 13,214 | 13,005 |
| University[40] | n | 8,920 | 8,654 | 8,972 |
| **Expenditures** | | | | |
| Overall education expenditure per student in the public network | | | | |
| Elementary and Secondary | $ | 7,109 | 8,732 | 8,465[p] |
| College | $ | 10,950 | 13,591 | 13,588[p] |
| University | $ | 19,627 | 26,136 | 25,241[p] |
| Overall education expenditure with reference to GDP | % | 8.1 | 7.6[p] | 7.8[p] |

## CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS[41]

| | | 1995-1996 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Culture Expenditure by Québec Government** | k$ | 549,374.3 | 747,960.0 | 746,686.7 |
| Visual arts, fine crafts, and media arts | k$ | 14,491.1 | 26,486.0 | 24,511.7 |
| Performing arts | k$ | 69,354.9 | 106,603.6 | 107,376.3 |
| Heritage, museum institutions, and archives | k$ | 122,018.6 | 149,201.0 | 153,857.8 |
| Libraries | k$ | 147,571.5 | 175,385.6 | 194,498.5 |
| Books | k$ | 7,361.7 | 7,468.3 | 8,338.9 |
| Periodicals | k$ | 90.8 | 2,602.6 | 2,563.2 |
| Sound recording | k$ | 2,872.9 | 4,834.6 | 556.2 |
| Cinematography and audiovisual | k$ | 19,709.2 | 35,308.5 | 38,122.1 |
| Radio and television | k$ | 85,553.6 | 96,395.5 | 85,102.3 |
| Multimedia | k$ | .. | 2,306.8 | 2,109.3 |
| Others | k$ | 80,350.0 | 141,367.7 | 129,650.4 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Attendance of paying live entertainment shows | k | .. | 6,981.7 | 6,650.9 |
| Visitors to museum institutions[42] | k | .. | 12,214.1 | 11,871.6 |
| Users of self-sustaining public libraries[43] | k | 1,672.7 | 1,960.6 | .. |
| Books sales | k$ | .. | 665,039.1 | 730,953.8 |
| Record sales[44] | k | .. | 12,511.8 | 12,599.1 |
| Cinema and drive-in movie theatre attendance | k | 20,875.2 | 28,333.2 | 26,312.0 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| LABOUR MARKET[45] | | | | |
| **Population Aged 15 and Over** | k | 5,737 | 6,113 | 6,182 |
| **Participating** | k | 3,552 | 4,024 | 4,053 |
| Men | k | 1,976 | 2,159 | 2,169 |
| Women | k | 1,576 | 1,865 | 1,884 |
| 15-24 years | k | 552 | 644 | 629 |
| 25-54 years | k | 2,700 | 2,886 | 2,905 |
| 55 years and over | k | 300 | 494 | 518 |
| **Employed** | k | 3,130 | 3,681 | 3,717 |
| Men | k | 1,730 | 1,961 | 1,974 |
| Women | k | 1,400 | 1,719 | 1,744 |
| 15-24 years | k | 450 | 551 | 544 |
| 25-54 years | k | 2,408 | 2,672 | 2,690 |
| 55 years and over | k | 272 | 458 | 483 |
| Full-time | k | 2,570 | 3,012 | 3,044 |
| Part-time | k | 560 | 668 | 674 |
| Employees | k | 2,652 | 3,197 | 3,214 |
| Public sector | % | 25.5 | 23.8 | 24.4 |
| Private sector | % | 74.5 | 76.2 | 75.6 |
| Self-employed workers | k | 478 | 484 | 504 |
| Without employees | % | 57.6 | 62.3 | 61.2 |
| With employees[46] | % | 42.4 | 37.7 | 38.8 |
| **Unemployed** | k | 422 | 344 | 335 |
| Men | k | 246 | 198 | 195 |
| Women | k | 176 | 146 | 141 |
| Average length of unemployment | wk | .. | 20.0 | 20.2 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | % | 11.9 | 8.5 | 8.3 |
| Men | % | 12.5 | 9.1 | 9.0 |
| Women | % | 11.2 | 7.8 | 7.5 |

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15-24 years | % | 18.4 | 14.4 | 13.5 |
| 25-54 years | % | 10.8 | 7.4 | 7.4 |
| 55 years and over | % | 9.5 | 7.4 | 6.7 |
| Without a diploma | % | 18.0 | 15.3 | 14.3 |
| With a secondary school diploma | % | 12.5 | 9.1 | 8.9 |
| With post-secondary school diploma[47] | % | 8.8 | 6.3 | 6.4 |
| **Employment Rate** | % | 54.6 | 60.2 | 60.1 |
| Men | % | 61.7 | 65.3 | 65.0 |
| Women | % | 47.7 | 55.3 | 55.5 |
| **Participation Rate** | % | 61.9 | 65.8 | 65.6 |
| Men | % | 70.4 | 71.9 | 71.4 |
| Women | % | 53.7 | 60.0 | 59.9 |
| **Employment Insurance**[48] | | | | |
| Average number of beneficiaries per month | n | .. | 247,177 | 245,816 |
| Total benefits paid | k$ | .. | 4,334,842 | 4,384,854 |
| Average weekly benefits | $ | .. | 287.71 | 292.62 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **UNIONS** | | | | |
| **Unionization**[49] | % | 41.8 | 40.1 | 40.5 |
| Public sector | % | .. | 81.9 | 81.0 |
| Private sector | % | .. | 26.9 | 26.9 |
| Primary sector | % | 45.4 | 39.9 | 43.7 |
| Secondary sector | % | 49.5 | 42.6 | 43.6 |
| Construction | % | 70.3 | 54.8 | 56.0 |
| Manufacturing | % | 44.4 | 40.3 | 40.7 |
| Tertiary sector | % | 37.5 | 39.4 | 39.6 |
| Government | % | 85.5 | 78.8 | 77.3 |
| Others | % | .. | 35.5 | 35.9 |
| **Collective Agreements in Force**[50] | n | 7,861 | 9,854 | 9,516 |
| Signed collective agreements | n | 1,596 | 1,831 | 1,906 |
| According to union affiliation | | | | |
| CSQ | n | 26 | 35 | 43 |
| CSD | n | 97 | 120 | 87 |
| CSN | n | 358 | 406 | 400 |
| FTQ | n | 812 | 1,047 | 1,099 |
| Independent unions | n | 278 | 198 | 249 |
| Others | n | 25 | 25 | 28 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Labour Disputes Triggered During the Year** | n | 88 | 105 | 113 |
| Labour disputes in progress during the year | n | 104 | 132 | 130 |
| Workers affected | n | 14,696 | 35,131 | 114,697 |
| **Annual variation of salary rate**[51] | % | 0.7 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Public sector[52] | % | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| Private sector | % | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.5 |

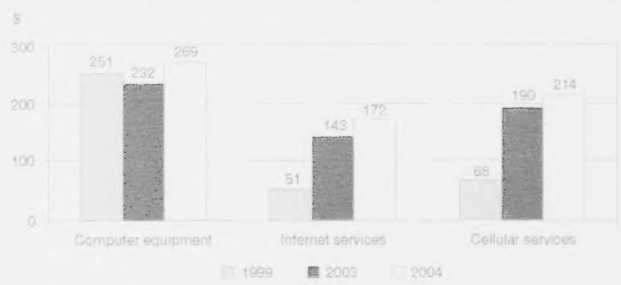
INCOME[53]

| | | 1996[r] | 2003[r] | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Individuals Earning an Income** | | | | |
| Total income (according to source) | $ | 22,676 | 29,524 | 30,936 |
| Private income | $ | 18,878 | 25,469 | 26,781 |
| Employment income | $ | 16,208 | 21,750 | 22,614 |
| Investment income | $ | 1,016 | 1,097 | 1,166 |
| Retirement income | $ | 1,132 | 2,069 | 2,241 |
| Others | $ | 522 | 553 | 760 |
| Transfer income | $ | 3,798 | 4,055 | 4,155 |
| – Taxes | $ | – 4,512 | – 5,559 | – 5,778 |
| Disposable income | $ | 18,164 | 23,965 | 25,157 |
| Total income (according to age of individuals) | $ | 22,676 | 29,524 | 30,936 |
| Less than 25 years | $ | 8,226 | 11,785 | 11,996 |
| 25-44 years | $ | 25,851 | 33,790 | 35,292 |
| 45-64 years | $ | 26,960 | 35,085 | 36,979 |
| 65 years and over | $ | 18,097 | 22,788 | 23,812 |
| **Average Employment Income from Individuals Earning an Income** | $ | 24,141 | 29,838 | 30,779 |
| Men | $ | 28,500 | 34,588 | 35,908 |
| Full-time all year | $ | 38,061 | 46,403 | 48,498 |
| Others | $ | 14,936 | 21,544 | 21,679 |
| Women | $ | 18,786 | 24,407 | 24,864 |
| Full-time all year | $ | 27,323 | 35,391 | 36,463 |
| Others | $ | 11,413 | 15,487 | 15,062 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Minimum Wage Rate**[54] | $ | 6.70 | 7.45 | 7.60 |
| **Employees Earning Minimum Wage**[53] | n | .. | 140,139 | 147,960 |
| In proportion with the total number of employees | % | .. | 4.4 | 4.6 |
| Retail trade | % | .. | 12.1 | 11.3 |
| Accommodation and food services | % | .. | 17.9 | 17.9 |
| Other sectors | % | .. | 2.1 | 2.5 |
| Establishment with 1 to 19 employees | % | .. | 8.2 | 9.3 |
| Establishment with 20 employees and over | % | .. | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| | | 1996[r] | 2003[r] | 2004 |
| **Average Disposable Income for Family Units** | $ | 32,287 | 42,157 | 44,087 |
| Single individuals | $ | 17,402 | 23,560 | 24,197 |
| Families | $ | 39,809 | 52,936 | 55,837 |
| Couples without children | $ | 35,517 | 46,229 | 49,325 |
| Couples with children[55] | $ | 46,630 | 64,189 | 67,298 |
| Lone-parents[55] | $ | 23,194 | 32,355 | 35,431 |
| Others | $ | 41,477 | 55,372 | 57,665 |
| **Low-Income Family Units After Taxes**[56] | % | 15.1 | 12.9 | 12.8 |
| Single individuals | % | 26.5 | 22.3 | 23.8 |
| Families | % | 9.4 | 7.5 | 6.3 |
| Couples without children | % | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.3 |
| Couples with children[55] | % | 6.8 | 4.9 | 4.1 |
| Lone-parents[55] | % | 33.1 | 22.1 | 21.0 |
| Others | % | 7.8 | 7.3 | 3.9 |
| | | 1995 | 2000 | |
| **Household Income**[57] | | | | |
| Distribution by bracket | | | | |
| Less than $10,000 | % | 10.1 | 8.3 | |
| $10,000 – $29,999 | % | 30.0 | 28.2 | |
| $30,000 – $59,999 | % | 32.8 | 33.2 | |
| $60,000 – $99,999 | % | 20.1 | 21.3 | |
| $100,000 and more | % | 7.0 | 9.1 | |
| Average income | $ | 46,000 | 49,998 | |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CONSUMPTION** | | | | |
| **Average Spending per Household**[58] | $ | 42,849 | 54,494 | 55,348 |
| Food | % | 13.4 | 12.6 | 12.5 |
| Shelter | % | 16.7 | 17.3 | 17.6 |
| Furnishings and household equipment | % | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.9 |
| Clothing | % | 4.7 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Transportation | % | 11.4 | 13.1 | 12.9 |
| Health and personal care | % | 4.1 | 4.8 | 5.2 |
| Recreation | % | 5.0 | 5.7 | 5.8 |
| Tobacco products, alcoholic beverages and games of chance (net amount)[59] | % | .. | 3.2 | 2.9 |
| Personal income tax | % | 23.1 | 21.3 | 20.7 |
| Personal insurance payments and pension contributions | % | 5.6 | 6.2 | 6.6 |
| Other expenses | % | 10.8 | 9.1 | 9.0 |

Average household spending on information technology and communications, Québec, 1999, 2003 and 2004




Source: Statistics Canada, *Survey of Household Spending*.

# LIVING CONDITIONS



| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Consumer Indebtedness** | | | | |
| **Ratio**[2,3,4] | % | 22.0 | 30.5 | 32.4 |
| Total consumer debt | M$ | 26,424 | 50,465 | 55,155 |
| Consumer debt per capita | $ | 3,646 | 6,686 | 7,259 |
| **Consumer Price Index**[4,5] | | | | |
| (variation in relation to the previous year) | | | | |
| Québec Province | % | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.3 |
| Food | % | 1.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Shelter | % | 1.0 | 2.6 | 3.0 |
| Household operations and furnishings | % | 2.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Clothing and footwear | % | – 1.8 | – 1.0 | 0.4 |
| Transportation | % | 2.7 | 2.8 | 4.4 |
| Health and personal care | % | 0.7 | 2.1 | 1.7 |
| Recreation, education and reading | % | 1.3 | – 1.4 | – 1.0 |
| Tobacco and alcoholic beverages | % | 3.9 | 4.3 | 2.1 |
| Census Metropolitan Areas | | | | |
| Québec | % | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.2 |
| Shelter | % | 1.2 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| Montréal | % | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.2 |
| Shelter | % | 0.9 | 2.6 | 2.9 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **AGRICULTURE**[23] | | | | |
| Zoned area for agriculture | k ha | 6,339.5 | 6,349.3 | 6,367.8 |
| Total area of farmland | k ha | 3,456.2 | 3,386.8 | 3,386.8 |
| Cultivated area | k ha | 1,738.8 | .. | .. |
| Farms | n | 35,991 | 29,825 | 29,786 |
| Total net income of farm operators | M$ | 803.5 | 843.4 | 643.7 |
| Total cash receipts | M$ | 4,691.7 | 6,305.3 | 6,191.1 |
| Sale of farm products outside of primary industry | M$ | 4,208.0 | 5,431.5 | 5,407.5 |
| Animal production | M$ | 3,152.0 | 4,011.5 | 4,000.5 |
| Livestock | M$ | 1,693.0 | 2,112.9 | 2,002.7 |
| Cattle and calves | M$ | 340.0 | 392.7 | 455.6 |
| Hogs | M$ | 922.0 | 1,191.4 | 1,036.1 |
| Poultry | M$ | 419.0 | 503.8 | 482.1 |
| Other livestock | M$ | 12.0 | 25.0 | 29.0 |
| By-products | M$ | 1,459.0 | 1,898.5 | 1,997.8 |
| Milk | M$ | 1,286.0 | 1,745.7 | 1,852.0 |
| Table eggs | M$ | 84.0 | 101.7 | 94.0 |
| Other by-products | M$ | 89.0 | 51.1 | 51.8 |
| Crop production | M$ | 1,056.0 | 1,420.0 | 1,407.0 |
| Maple syrup production | M$ | 102.0 | 128.0 | 168.7 |
| Grains | M$ | 327.0 | 374.0 | 301.0 |
| Fruits | M$ | 82.0 | 107.0 | 108.0 |
| Ornamental horticulture | M$ | 126.0 | 288.0 | 282.0 |
| Vegetables | M$ | 236.0 | 299.3 | 291.0 |
| Oil seed and high-protein crops | M$ | 75.0 | 121.0 | 138.0 |
| Potatoes | M$ | 73.0 | 81.7 | 99.0 |
| Other crops | M$ | 35.0 | 21.1 | 19.3 |
| Sales of non-farm products | M$ | 65.0 | 39.0 | 34.3 |
| Gross government payments | M$ | 418.7 | 834.8 | 749.3 |
| Bio-food product imports | M$ | 2,232.8 | 3,334.7 | 3,484.7 |
| Bio-food product exports | M$ | 1,999.9 | 3,803.7 | 3,830.1 |
| Meats | M$ | 569.7 | 1,195.2 | 1,196.6 |
| Cocoa, coffee, tea | M$ | 145.8 | 429.5 | 367.8 |
| Food and various products | M$ | 91.1 | 318.5 | 316.8 |
| Honey, maple products and sugar | M$ | 102.7 | 244.7 | 296.2 |
| Grain products | M$ | 69.8 | 230.7 | 233.4 |
| Fish and seafood | M$ | 201.7 | 214.1 | 200.4 |
| Beverages | M$ | 198.7 | 170.4 | 180.2 |
| Oilseeds and pulse crops | M$ | 35.0 | 160.8 | 179.0 |
| Fruits and nuts | M$ | 52.2 | 130.1 | 150.9 |
| Vegetables other than potatoes | M$ | 56.7 | 146.1 | 146.4 |
| Poultry meat and eggs | M$ | 23.4 | 117.5 | 112.0 |

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Animal sub-products | M$ | 112.3 | 91.4 | 106.6 |
| Milk products | M$ | 169.3 | 114.3 | 93.9 |
| Other exports | M$ | 171.5 | 240.3 | 250.0 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **FISHING** | | | | |
| Maritime[64] | | | | |
| Licensed fishing vessels | n | 1,741 | 1,378 | 1,392 |
| Permit holders | n | 1,508 | 1,614 | 1,608 |
| Total value of landings | k$ | 134,038 | 199,579 | 157,796 |
| Fish | % | 8.9 | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| Mollusks and shellfish | % | 91.1 | 93.0 | 91.7 |
| Inshore waters[65] | | | | |
| Permit holders | n | 199 | 153 | 150 |
| Estimated value of landings | k$ | 4,959 | 2,653 | 2,184 |
| Aquaculture[65] | | | | |
| Operating license holders | n | 197 | 162 | 161 |
| Estimated value of aquacultural sales | k$ | 11,373 | 12,919 | 12,287 |
| Fresh water fishery | k$ | 11,271 | 11,572 | 10,117 |
| Sea farming | k$ | 102 | 1,348 | 2,170 |

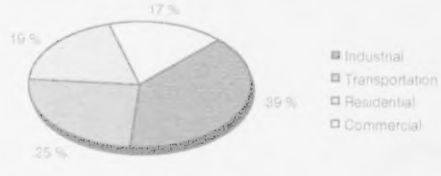
| **FORESTRY**[c] | | 1995-1996 | 2003-2004[66] | 2004-2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Area of intensive forest inventory zone | $km^2$ | 764,749 | 591,549 | 591,549 |
| Fresh water | $km^2$ | 75,830 | 58,302 | 58,302 |
| Productive forest land[67] | | | | |
| Slope of 0% to 40% | $km^2$ | 516,602 | 424,114 | 424,114 |
| Slope of 41% or more | $km^2$ | 11,076 | 11,401 | 11,401 |
| Unproductive forest land | $km^2$ | 127,729 | 62,838 | 62,838 |
| Non forest land[68] | $km^2$ | 33,514 | 34,894 | 34,894 |
| Gross merchantable volume[69] | $k\ m^3$ | 3,949,225 | 3,791,919 | 3,791,919 |
| Harvested area | ha | 422,200 | 359,000[p] | 370,500[p] |
| Volume of harvested wood | $k\ m^3$ | 41,080 | 39,899 | 43,322[p] |
| Reforested area | ha | 68,528 | 60,866 | 69,991[p] |

| | | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Value of delivery and other earnings from forestry export | M$ | 2,363.1 | 2,784.2 | 2,800.0[e] |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **MINE PRODUCTION**[10] | | | | |
| **Value of Total Mine Production** | M$ | 3,411.1 | 3,914.2 | 4,826.0[p] |
| Gold | M$ | 698.8 | 508.3 | 543.0[p] |
| Stone | M$ | 188.9 | 335.2 | 370.0[p] |
| Zinc | M$ | 272.3 | 168.4 | 342.2[p] |
| Ciment | M$ | 207.4 | 339.3 | 332.2[p] |
| Copper | M$ | 410.4 | 174.5 | 143.3[p] |
| Silver | M$ | 37.5 | 55.6 | 73.7[p] |
| Sand and gravel | M$ | 81.9 | 107.3 | 71.5[p] |
| Peat | M$ | 40.1 | 57.4 | 66.0[p] |
| Asbestos | M$ | 256.3 | x | x |
| Other substances | M$ | 1,217.5 | 2,168.2 | 2,884.1[p] |

| | | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ENERGY**[11] | | | | |
| **Total Energy Consumption** | k toe | 37,698.4[r] | 42,916.1[r] | 42,756.7 |
| According to type | | | | |
| Electricity | % | 37.9[r] | 38.7[r] | 39.4 |
| Petroleum | % | 37.4[r] | 38.6[r] | 38.8 |
| Natural gas | % | 14.9 | 12.1[r] | 12.3 |
| Biomass | % | 8.7[r] | 9.6[r] | 9.3 |
| Coal | % | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |

Total consumption of energy according to the sector, Québec, 2004




Source: Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune.

# THE ECONOMY AND FINANCE

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Electricity Production** | M kWh | 199,208 | 210,155 | 206,970 |
| According to type of producers | | | | |
| Hydro-Québec | % | 74.1 | 72.9 | 71.3 |
| Private producers[72] | % | 12.9 | 12.8 | 14.3 |
| Churchill Falls[73] | % | 13.0 | 14.3 | 14.4 |
| According to the source of energy | | | | |
| Hydraulic | % | 96.6 | 96.2 | 95.7 |
| Thermal | % | 0.6 | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| Nuclear | % | 2.8 | 1.8 | 2.5 |
| Wind power | % | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| **Electricity Consumption**[74] | M kWh | 166,053 | 193,301 | 191,691 |
| **Electricity Exportation** | M kWh | 19,621 | 12,950 | 12,358 |
| United States | % | 77.7 | 77.5 | 76.7 |
| Other canadian provinces | % | 22.3 | 22.5 | 23.3 |
| **Origin of Crude Petroleum Supply** | | | | |
| America (including Canada) | % | 15.6 | 22.9 | 25.0 |
| North Sea | % | 63.3 | 44.4 | 38.8 |
| Africa, Middle East and other countries | % | 21.1 | 32.7 | 36.2 |
| **Balance of Trade in the Energy Sector** | M$ | – 3,340 | – 6,418[r] | – 7,769 |
| Electricity | M$ | 484 | 548 | 362 |
| Petroleum | M$ | – 3,076 | – 5,028 | – 6,115 |
| Natural gas | M$ | – 666 | – 1,828[r] | – 1,801 |
| Coal | M$ | – 82 | – 110 | – 215 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CONSTRUCTION**[75] | | | | |
| Housing starts | n | 23,220 | 58,448 | 50,910 |
| Building permits | n | 160,964 | 162,240 | 155,596 |
| Residential | n | 138,215 | 145,134 | 138,777 |
| Non-residential | n | 22,749 | 17,106 | 16,819 |
| Value of building permits | M$ | 4,938.1 | 11,629.6 | 11,334.0 |
| Residential | M$ | 2,413.2 | 7,970.6 | 7,886.4 |
| Non-residential | M$ | 2,524.9 | 3,659.0 | 3,447.6 |
| Hours worked | M | 65.3 | 122.4 | 125.7 |
| Residential construction | M | 8.9 | 25.7 | 26.4 |
| Non-residential construction | M | 56.4 | 96.8 | 99.4 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2003[r] | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **MANUFACTURING SECTOR**[76] | | | | |
| **Revenue from goods manufactured** | M$ | .. | 127,455.4 | 130,902.4 |
| Non-durable goods (NAICS) | M$ | .. | 62,287.7 | 63,473.0 |
| Food | M$ | .. | 14,567.1 | 14,667.7 |
| Beverage and tobacco products | M$ | .. | 3,663.7 | 3,448.9 |
| Textile mills | M$ | .. | 2,107.8 | 1,939.5 |
| Textile product mills | M$ | .. | 969.4 | 798.3 |
| Clothing | M$ | .. | 4,182.8 | 3,404.5 |
| Leather and allied products | M$ | .. | 395.7 | 341.0 |
| Paper | M$ | .. | 10,648.0 | 10,577.7 |
| Printing and related support activities | M$ | .. | 3,048.7 | 3,040.7 |
| Petroleum and coal products | M$ | .. | 8,049.4 | 9,902.3 |
| Chemicals | M$ | .. | 8,755.1 | 9,302.1 |
| Plastics and rubber products | M$ | .. | 5,900.0 | 6,050.4 |
| Durable goods (NAICS) | M$ | .. | 65,167.7 | 67,429.4 |
| Wood products | M$ | .. | 8,459.0 | 9,189.9 |
| Non-metallic mineral products | M$ | .. | 2,715.3 | 2,786.9 |
| Primary metals | M$ | .. | 12,987.0 | 14,667.6 |
| Fabricated metal products | M$ | .. | 6,245.5 | 6,625.0 |
| Machinery | M$ | .. | 4,956.2 | 4,922.0 |
| Computer and electronic products | M$ | .. | 6,368.3 | 6,344.6 |
| Electrical equipment, appliances and components | M$ | .. | 3,125.3 | 3,222.2 |
| Transportation equipment | M$ | .. | 14,397.9 | 14,059.1 |
| Furniture and related products | M$ | .. | 3,716.4 | 3,601.7 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing | M$ | .. | 2,196.7 | 2,010.3 |
| **First Shipping Destination** | | | | |
| Atlantic provinces | % | .. | 2.0 | 2.2 |
| Québec | % | .. | 41.3 | 41.2 |
| Ontario | % | .. | 13.3 | 13.1 |
| Western provinces[77] | % | .. | 4.5 | 5.0 |
| United States | % | .. | 32.9 | 32.9 |
| Other countries | % | .. | 6.0 | 5.6 |

**TRANSPORTATION**[78]

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Road network[79] | km | 29,006 | 29,612 | 29,724 |
| Number of motor vehicles | k | 4,341.2 | 5,203.5 | 5,306.5 |
| Pleasure vehicles | % | 75.1 | 74.4 | 74.2 |

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Vehicles for institutional, professional or commercial use | % | 13.5 | 13.3 | 13.3 |
| Vehicles outside the road network | % | 11.4 | 12.3 | 12.5 |
| Public transit vehicles[83] | n | 3,592 | 3,899 | 3,951 |
| Passengers transported[84] | M | 466.8 | 514.6 | 519.6 |
| Owners and operators of heavy vehicles | n | 43,712 | 48,948 | 49,663 |
| Heavy-duty vehicles > 3,000 kg | n | 101,738 | 115,236 | 117,810 |
| Merchandise transported[82] | M t | 43.2 | .. | .. |
| Railway system | km | .. | 6,678 | 6,678 |
| Main, local and regional lines of the principal railway companies | km | .. | 3,431 | 3,431 |
| Shortline railways | km | .. | 2,351 | 2,351 |
| Industrial railways | km | .. | 855 | 855 |
| Others | km | .. | 41 | 41 |
| | | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
| Commercial railway traffic | M t | 34.4 | 65.8 | 63.4 |
| Maritime shipping | | | | |
| International | M t | 76.9 | 79.8 | .. |
| Coastal | M t | 28.3 | 27.3 | .. |
| Ferry crossings[85] | | | | |
| Passengers transported | k | 5,288.5 | 5,249.5 | 5,440.3 |
| Vehicles transported | k | 2,240.0 | 2,632.3 | 2,711.4 |
| Airport activities | | | | |
| Passenger movements | | | | |
| Dorval (Montréal-Trudeau) | k | 6,142.2 | 7,752.4 | 9,369.6 |
| Mirabel (Montréal-Mirabel) | k | 2,391.6 | 974.0 | 922.0 |
| Québec (Jean-Lesage) | k | 640.3 | 629.0 | 715.0 |
| Cargo movements | | | | |
| Dorval (Montréal-Trudeau) | t | 23,744 | 81,688 | 82,211 |
| Mirabel (Montréal-Mirabel) | t | 82,065 | 33,096 | 32,684 |
| Québec (Jean-Lesage) | t | 97 | 124 | 379 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOURISM**[86] | | | | |
| **Visitors**[95] | k | .. | 53,910 | .. |
| Tourists[85] | k | .. | 28,344 | 28,772* |
| Québecers | % | .. | 75.4 | 75.7* |
| Canadians from other provinces | % | .. | 12.9 | 13.0* |
| Americans | % | .. | 8.3 | 7.6* |
| Coming from other countries | % | .. | 3.5 | 3.7* |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Tourist Spending in Québec**[79] | M$ | .. | 9,750 | 10,189[e] |
| Tourists[80] | M$ | .. | 7,230 | 7,515[e] |
| Québecers | % | .. | 50.7 | 51.4[e] |
| Canadians from other provinces | % | .. | 16.9 | 17.1[e] |
| Americans | % | .. | 19.2 | 17.3[e] |
| Coming from other countries | % | .. | 13.3 | 14.3[e] |
| **Average Length of Visit by Tourists**[81] | | | | |
| Québecers | d | .. | 2.5 | 2.6[e] |
| Canadians from other provinces | d | .. | 3.2 | 3.3[e] |
| Americans | d | .. | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Coming from other countries | d | .. | 10.7 | 11.6 |
| **Average Spending per Visit by Tourists**[82] | | | | |
| Québecers | $ | .. | 172 | 177[e] |
| Canadians from other provinces | $ | .. | 334 | 344[e] |
| Americans | $ | .. | 587 | 591 |
| Coming from other countries | $ | .. | 980 | 1 009 |
| **Québec International Travel Account** | | | | |
| Revenues from foreign visitors to Québec[83] | M$ | .. | 2,432 | 2,444 |
| Spending by Québec visitors travelling abroad[84] | M$ | | 3,108 | 3,281 |
| Québec's tourism balance | M$ | .. | – 675 | – 837 |

## RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT[87]

| | | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GERD[88] | M$ | 3,822 | 6,947 | 7,208 |
| GERD in relation to GDP[89] | % | 2.12 | 2.75 | 2.72 |
| Financing of the GERD[90] | | | | |
| Businesses | % | 56.0 | 53.9 | 54.0 |
| Government | % | 20.1 | 22.4 | 21.4 |
| Higher education | % | 15.8 | 14.4 | 15.4 |
| Foreign | % | 6.0 | 6.9 | 6.9 |
| Non-profit organizations | | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| Implementation of the GERD[91] | | | | |
| Businesses | % | 62.6 | 59.8 | 59.8 |
| Higher education | % | 28.8 | 33.8 | 33.9 |
| Government | % | 8.3 | 6.4 | 6.2 |
| Non-profit organizations | % | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 |

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total expenditure in industrial R&D | M$ | 2,393 | 4,153 | 4,307[P] |
| Total personnel in industrial R&D | CTE | 26,392 | 41,778 | 43,334[P] |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Share of high-technology industry in manufacturing exports[51] | % | .. | 25.2 | 25.2 |
| Share of high-technology industry in manufacturing imports[51] | % | .. | 28.9 | 28.5 |

| | | 1996 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| COOPERATIVES | n | 3,158 | 2,787[r] | 2,794 |
| **Non-Financial Cooperatives**[50] | n | 1,850 | 2,178[r] | 2,223 |
| Amalgamation of cooperatives | n | 17 | 20 | 21 |
| Consumers' cooperatives | n | 1,445 | 1,501[r] | 2,506 |
| Producers' cooperatives | n | 195 | 286[r] | 291 |
| Workers' cooperatives | n | 159 | 197[r] | 210 |
| Shareholding workers' cooperatives | n | 34 | 64[r] | 71 |
| Solidarity cooperatives | n | – | 110[r] | 124 |
| **Financial Cooperatives**[50] | n | 1,308 | 609 | 571 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS[51] | | | | |
| **Loans from Deposit-Taking Institutions** | | | | |
| Mortgage | M$ | 64,977 | 94,870 | 104,519 |
| Canadian chartered banks | % | 50.2 | 51.5 | 51.4 |
| Foreign chartered banks | % | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| Savings and credit unions | % | 45.2 | 46.7 | 46.9 |
| Trust or mortgage loan corporations[51] | % | 3.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Non-mortgage | | | | |
| To individuals | M$ | 22,913 | 37,795 | 42,030 |
| To businesses | M$ | 22,031 | 24,850 | 25,460 |
| **Total Deposits** | M$ | 119,825 | .. | .. |
| Canadian chartered banks | M$ | 63,766 | 84,859 | 84,646 |
| Foreign chartered banks | M$ | 1,867 | 6,063 | 7,157 |
| Savings and credit unions | M$ | 50,669 | .. | .. |
| Trust or mortgage loan corporations[51] | M$ | 3,522 | 1,788 | 2,776 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Deposits by Individuals** | M$ | 91,918 | x | 115,198 |
| Canadian chartered banks | M$ | 49,218 | 56,437 | 55,216 |
| Foreign chartered banks | M$ | 576 | 2,206 | 2,758 |
| Savings and credit unions | M$ | 38,631 | 52,155 | 54,530 |
| Trust or mortgage loan corporations[91] | M$ | 3,494 | x | 2,693 |
| **Mutual Funds** | | | | |
| Total assets | M$ | 28,428 | 75,016 | 86,460 |
| In deposit-taking institutions | M$ | 9,641 | 26,792 | 32,085 |
| Through other promoters of mutual funds | M$ | 18,787 | 48,225 | 54,375 |
| **Bank Rate**[92] | | | | |
| Minimum | % | 3.25 | 2.25 | 2.75 |
| Maximum | % | 5.50 | 2.75 | 3.50 |
| Average | % | 4.53 | 2.50 | 2.92 |
| **Interest Rate for Mortgage Loan** (one year) | | | | |
| Minimum | % | 5.20 | 4.30 | 4.75 |
| Maximum | % | 7.00 | 5.00 | 5.80 |
| Average | % | 6.19 | 4.59 | 5.06 |
| **Interest Rate for Guaranteed Investment Certificate** (one year) | | | | |
| Minimum | % | 2.38 | 0.93 | 1.28 |
| Maximum | % | 4.38 | 1.53 | 2.03 |
| Average | % | 3.53 | 1.19 | 1.53 |
| **Insurance** | | | | |
| Personal insurance[93] | | | | |
| Written premiums per capita | $ | 799 | 1,216 | 1,252 |
| Policyholder benefits paid per capita | $ | 825 | 912 | 896 |
| General insurance[94] | | | | |
| Written premiums per capita | $ | 583 | 930 | 930 |
| Policyholder benefits paid per capita | $ | 423 | 506 | 556 |

| | | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **INVESTMENTS**[95] | | | | |
| **Capital Spending** | M$ | 28,301.7 | 50,275.0[p] | 50,728.4[e] |
| Private sector | M$ | 20,733.9 | 37,829.4[p] | 37,641.1[e] |
| Construction | M$ | 11,104.6 | 22,375.1[p] | 21,833.4[e] |
| Machinery and equipment | M$ | 9,629.2 | 15,454.4[p] | 15,807.7[e] |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Public sector | M$ | 7,567.8 | 12,445.6[p] | 13,087.3[e] |
| Construction | M$ | 4,773.4 | 9,024.4[p] | 9,595.0[e] |
| Public Administration | M$ | .. | 5,207.6[p] | 5,315.8[e] |
| Public businesses | M$ | .. | 3,816.8[p] | 4,279.2[e] |
| Machinery and equipment | M$ | 2,794.4 | 3,421.1[p] | 3,492.3[e] |
| Public Administration | M$ | .. | 2,456.9[p] | 2,481.5[e] |
| Public businesses | M$ | .. | 964.2[p] | 1,010.8[e] |
| Primary | % | 5.2 | 3.1[p] | 3.4[e] |
| Secondary | % | 17.0 | 11.0[p] | 10.9[e] |
| Tertiary | % | 52.2 | 51.6[p] | 52.8[e] |
| Housing | % | 25.5 | 34.3[p] | 32.9[e] |
| Share of investments in the GDP | % | 15.7 | 18.3 | 17.7 |

| INTERNATIONAL TRADE[M] | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Exports** | M$ | 49,408.2 | 68,476.1 | 71,025.8 |
| Principal destinations | | | | |
| United States | M$ | 39,715.5 | 56,026.7 | 57,469.8 |
| United Kingdom | M$ | 963.8 | 1,523.2 | 1,471.4 |
| Japan | M$ | 611.8 | 1,097.8 | 1,178.5 |
| France | M$ | 991.4 | 972.8 | 992.2 |
| Germany | M$ | 1,128.9 | 834.8 | 877.1 |
| Major export products | | | | |
| Aircraft complete with engines | M$ | 2,500.6 | 6,698.3 | 6,907.3 |
| Aluminium and alloys | M$ | 4,140.3 | 5,259.0 | 5,888.5 |
| Other telecommunication and related equipment | M$ | 5,173.0 | 3,981.3 | 3,894.7 |
| Newsprint paper | M$ | 3,840.0 | 3,158.6 | 3,236.7 |
| Other equipment and tools | M$ | 988.3 | 2,262.4 | 2,207.3 |
| **Imports** | M$ | 44,629.4 | 68,751.6 | 76,981.6 |
| Principal origins | | | | |
| United States | M$ | 22,306.4 | 25,024.3 | 25,104.5 |
| China | M$ | 1,299.4 | 5,003.2 | 5,932.9 |
| United Kingdom | M$ | 2,752.0 | 4,785.1 | 5,278.0 |
| Algeria | M$ | 738.0 | 2,888.1 | 4,157.2 |
| Norway | M$ | 879.2 | 2,238.6 | 3,232.4 |
| Major import products | | | | |
| Crude petroleum | M$ | 3,284.8 | 8,815.1 | 12,931.5 |
| Automobiles and chassis | M$ | 3,972.2 | 6,329.4 | 6,620.0 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Computers | M$ | 2,458.0 | 2,856.9 | 2,955.6 |
| Electronic tubes and semi-conductors | M$ | 3,995.6 | 2,395.7 | 2,745.8 |
| Other telecommunication and related equipment | M$ | 1,523.5 | 2,345.1 | 2,428.6 |

## THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY

| | | 1996 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Exchange Rate**[97] | | | | |
| American dollar (average at noon) | $ | 1.3636 | 1.2116 | 1.1341 |
| High | $ | 1.3865 | 1.2734 | 1.1794 |
| Low | $ | 1.3287 | 1.1427 | 1.0948 |
| Euro (average at noon) | $ | .. | 1.5090 | 1.4237 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **GDP in purchasing power parity** (PPP)[98] | | | | |
| United States | G$ US PPP | 7,816.9 | 11,712.5 | 12,455.8 |
| China | G$ US PPP | 3,537.6 | 7,661.0 | 8,778.6 |
| Japan | G$ US PPP | 2,948.7 | 3,726.9 | 3,940.5 |
| India | G$ US PPP | 1,869.9 | 3,415.3 | 3,817.9 |
| Germany | G$ US PPP | 1,857.3 | 2,468.1 | 2,538.0 |
| United Kingdom | G$ US PPP | 1,218.1 | 1,901.6 | 1,978.8 |
| France | G$ US PPP | 1,291.8 | 1,807.8 | 1,897.8 |
| Italy | G$ US PPP | 1,262.1 | 1,614.0 | 1,644.3 |
| Brazil | G$ US PPP | 1,079.5 | 1,507.0 | 1,627.3 |
| Russia | G$ US PPP | 856.2 | 1,420.5 | 1,559.9 |
| Spain | G$ US PPP | 659.4 | 1,110.7 | 1,189.1 |
| Mexico | G$ US PPP | 672.1 | 1,055.0 | 1,119.1 |
| Canada | G$ US PPP | 690.9 | 1,036.4 | 1,099.1 |
| South Korea | G$ US PPP | 630.2 | 996.4 | 1,067.2 |
| Québec (41[st]) | G$ US PPP | 149.0 | 211.2 | 219.3 |
| **Per capita GDP in PPP**[98] | | | | |
| Luxembourg | $ US PPP | 37,759 | 64,843 | 70,245 |
| Norway | $ US PPP | 26,235 | 41,880 | 47,207 |
| United States | $ US PPP | 28,987 | 39,831 | 41,947 |
| Ireland | $ US PPP | 19,637 | 36,536 | 38,850 |
| Iceland | $ US PPP | 24,096 | 33,271 | 36,183 |
| Switzerland | $ US PPP | 26,239 | 34,740 | 35,650 |
| Netherlands | $ US PPP | 22,882 | 33,571 | 35,120 |
| Austria | $ US PPP | 24,282 | 33,235 | 34,393 |
| Australia | $ US PPP | 22,390 | 32,643 | 34,240 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Denmark | $ US PPP | 23,759 | 32,335 | 34,137 |
| Canada | $ US PPP | 23,334 | 32,397 | 34,027 |
| Hong Kong | $ US PPP | 21,925 | 30,970 | 33,479 |
| Belgium | $ US PPP | 22,665 | 31,985 | 32,998 |
| United Kingdom | $ US PPP | 20,943 | 31,780 | 32,860 |
| Sweden | $ US PPP | 22,220 | 31,072 | 32,111 |
| Finland | $ US PPP | 19,954 | 29,833 | 30,959 |
| Japan | $ US PPP | 23,448 | 29,173 | 30,842 |
| Germany | $ US PPP | 22,679 | 29,916 | 30,777 |
| France | $ US PPP | 21,665 | 29,006 | 30,266 |
| Greece | $ US PPP | 17,236 | 27,691 | 29,578 |
| Québec | $ US PPP | 20,567 | 27,972 | 28,858 |
| Singapore | $ US PPP | 19,358 | 27,322 | 28,368 |
| Italy | $ US PPP | 22,196 | 27,744 | 28,094 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS** | | | | |
| **GDP at Basic Prices** (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 169,881 | 217,360 | 221,740 |
| **GDP at Market Prices** (current $)[100] | M$ | 180,526 | 262,988 | 273,588 |
| GDP per capita | $ | 24,911 | 34,839 | 36,009 |
| Final domestic demand | M$ | 179,453 | 267,181 | 279,720 |
| Corporation profits before taxes | M$ | 15,212 | 24,991 | 25,561 |
| Business investment in fixed capital | M$ | 24,655 | 44,769 | 45,304 |
| Current transfers by governments | | | | |
| To businesses | M$ | 3,113 | 6,017 | 5,956 |
| To persons | M$ | 25,206 | 33,322 | 34,724 |
| Per capita | $ | 3,478 | 4,414 | 4,570 |
| Disposable personal income | M$ | 119,859 | 165,569 | 170,598 |
| Per capita | $ | 16,539 | 21,934 | 22,454 |
| Personal consumption expenditure | M$ | 107,859 | 156,902 | 165,055 |
| Personal savings | M$ | 9,636 | 5,676 | 2,275 |
| Per capita | $ | 1,330 | 752 | 299 |
| Personal saving rate[101] | % | 8.0 | 3.4 | 1.3 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **GOVERNMENT SECTOR REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE IN QUÉBEC**[102] | | | | |
| **Revenue** | M$ | 76,303 | 111,004 | 117,585 |
| Direct taxes coming from | | | | |
| Persons | M$ | 26,324 | 34,718 | 37,503 |
| Corporate and government business enterprises | M$ | 5,882 | 10,390 | 11,476 |
| Non-residents (taxe withholdings) | M$ | 695 | 1,134 | 1,338 |
| Contributions to social insurance plans | M$ | 9,459 | 14,607 | 15,324 |
| Indirect taxes | M$ | 28,216 | 40,731 | 41,866 |
| Other current transfers by persons | M$ | 1,357 | 2,620 | 2,716 |
| Investment income | M$ | 4,370 | 6,804 | 7,362 |
| **Current Expenditure** | M$ | 90,521 | 116,290 | 120,919 |
| Net current expenditure on goods and services | M$ | 41,980 | 58,161 | 61,261 |
| Current transfers | | | | |
| To persons | M$ | 25,206 | 33,322 | 34,724 |
| To businesses | M$ | 3,113 | 6,017 | 5,956 |
| Interest on public debt | M$ | 20,222 | 18,790 | 18,978 |
| **Savings** | M$ | – 14,218 | – 5,286 | – 3,334 |
| Plus | | | | |
| Capital consumption allowances | M$ | 4,078 | 5,505 | 5,641 |
| Net capital transfers | M$ | 86 | – 415 | – 439 |
| Minus | | | | |
| Acquisition of non-financial capital | M$ | 4,832 | 7,355 | 8,110 |
| Investment in fixed capital and in inventory | M$ | 4,958 | 7,355 | 8,110 |
| Existing assets | M$ | – 126 | – | – |
| Equals | | | | |
| **Net Lending** | M$ | – 14,886 | – 7,551 | – 6,242 |

| | | 1996-1997 | 2004-2005 | 2005-2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **QUÉBEC GOVERNMENT BUDGETARY TRANSACTIONS AND DEBT**[102] | | | | |
| **Total Expenditure** | M$ | 40,434 | 57,549 | 59,997 |
| Economy and Environment mission | % | 9.7 | 11.0 | 11.3 |
| Education and Culture mission | % | 25.8 | 21.8 | 21.7 |

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| | Unit | 1996-1997 | 2004-2005 | 2005-2006 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Health and Social services mission | % | 31.3 | 36.3 | 36.6 |
| Support for Individuals and Families mission | % | 11.4 | 8.6 | 8.8 |
| Administration and Justice mission | % | 7.6 | 9.4 | 9.0 |
| Debt service mission | % | 14.2 | 12.9 | 12.6 |
| **Total Revenue** | M$ | 37,222 | 56,885 | 60,034 |
| Income and property taxes | % | 52.6 | 45.6 | 44.7 |
| Consumption taxes | % | 18.3 | 21.8 | 21.0 |
| Duties and permits | % | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| Miscellaneous | % | 2.9 | 4.9 | 5.7 |
| Government enterprises | % | 5.8 | 7.6 | 7.6 |
| Government of Canada transfers | % | 17.7 | 17.5 | 18.5 |
| **Budgetary Balance** | M$ | – 3,212 | – 664 | 37 |
| **Cumulative Deficit** | M$ | 64,833 | 87,244 | 91,699 |
| **Total Debt** | M$ | 78,086 | 119,765 | 122,592 |

| | | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY SECTOR (NAICS)** | | | | |
| **Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 3,182.5 | 4,292.3 | 4,331.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 1,214.0 | 1,692.0 | 1,744.0 |
| Employees[101] | k | ... | ... | ... |
| Sector share of total | % | ... | ... | ... |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | ... | ... | ... |
| **Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 1,376.6 | 1,328.3 | 1,100.2 |
| Sector share of total | % | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 933.0 | 882.0 | 926.0 |
| Employees[101] | k | x | x | x |
| Sector share of total | % | x | x | x |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | x | x | x |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Utilities** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 7,938.0 | 8,206.3 | 8,532.7 |
| Sector share of total | % | 4.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 1,760.0 | 2,379.0 | 2,505.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 29.2 | 31.1 | 31.0 |
| Sector share of total | % | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 970.19 | 1,113.27 | 1,110.52 |
| **Construction** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 8,371.0 | 12,447.0 | 12,640.9 |
| Sector share of total | % | 4.9 | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 4,830.0 | 7,690.0 | 8,024.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 93.5 | 141.7 | 141.1 |
| Sector share of total | % | 3.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 749.94 | 814.49 | 827.45 |
| **Manufacturing** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 35,068.9 | 45,364.1 | 45,542.1 |
| Sector share of total | % | 20.6 | 20.9 | 20.5 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 19,790.0 | 27,070.0 | 27,296.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 487.8 | 564.8 | 551.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 18.0 | 17.7 | 17.2 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 654.55 | 783.01 | 808.96 |
| **Wholesale Trade** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 8,372.8 | 12,162.9 | 12,851.5 |
| Sector share of total | % | 4.9 | 5.6 | 5.8 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 5,825.0 | 8,449.0 | 9,033.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 142.2 | 184.7 | 182.0 |
| Sector share of total | % | 5.2 | 5.8 | 5.7 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 665.94 | 725.16 | 763.92 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Retail Trade** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 9,191.2 | 13,381.3 | 13,896.9 |
| Sector share of total | % | 5.4 | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 6,423.0 | 10,317.0 | 10,621.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 332.5 | 393.3 | 409.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 12.3 | 12.4 | 12.8 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 372.55 | 423.88 | 437.98 |
| **Transportation and Warehousing** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | x | 9,419.0 | 9,623.2 |
| Sector share of total | % | x | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 5,202.0 | 7,287.0 | 7,500.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 130.5 | 140.5 | 141.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 4.8 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 632.53 | 718.71 | 740.74 |
| **Information and Cultural Industries** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | x | 9,431.9 | 9,783.0 |
| Sector share of total | % | x | 4.3 | 4.4 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 3,256.0 | 4,894.0 | 5,219.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 63.0 | 77.6 | 80.4 |
| Sector share of total | % | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.5 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 762.54 | 811.75 | 866.10 |
| **Finance and Insurance, Real Estate and Renting, Management of Companies and Enterprises** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 29,918.6 | 37,127.4 | 38,382.2 |
| Sector share of total | % | 17.6 | 17.1 | 17.3 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 6,979.0 | 11,174.0 | 11,692.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 178.3 | 198.4 | 201.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 6.6 | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 692.91 | 788.85 | 804.01 |

| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Professional, Scientific and Technical Services** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 5,133.6 | 9,063.8 | 9,342.5 |
| Sector share of total | % | 3.0 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 3,474.0 | 7,030.0 | 7,304.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 102.9 | 148.9 | 150.2 |
| Sector share of total | % | 3.8 | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 746.93 | 823.52 | 854.30 |
| **Administrative and Support, Waste Management and Remediation Services** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 3,259.8 | 5,291.3 | 5,538.1 |
| Sector share of total | % | 1.9 | 2.4 | 2.5 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 2,280.0 | 4,379.0 | 4,553.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 86.7 | 127.2 | 133.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 3.2 | 4.0 | 4.2 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 470.88 | 529.35 | 554.34 |
| **Educational Services** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 9,605.0 | 10,238.0 | 10,151.3 |
| Sector share of total | % | 5.7 | 4.7 | 4.6 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 8,879.0 | 11,167.0 | 11,428.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 229.1 | 214.7 | 212.1 |
| Sector share of total | % | 8.4 | 6.7 | 6.6 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 643.31 | 791.88 | 796.16 |
| **Health Care and Social Assistance** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 12,924.8 | 13,595.8 | 13,761.7 |
| Sector share of total | % | 7.6 | 6.3 | 6.2 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 8,809.0 | 12,710.0 | 13,381.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 316.5 | 329.9 | 336.9 |
| Sector share of total | % | 11.7 | 10.4 | 10.5 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 563.41 | 607.33 | 629.44 |

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| | Unit | 1996 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Arts, Entertainment and Recreation** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 1,554.9 | 2,110.1 | 2,151.9 |
| Sector share of total | % | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 1,094.0 | 1,739.0 | 1,850.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 33.3 | 55.0 | 55.8 |
| Sector share of total | % | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 387.23 | 440.50 | 452.90 |
| **Accomodation and Food Services** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 3,766.7 | 4,742.5 | 4,826.1 |
| Sector share of total | % | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 2,890.0 | 4,167.0 | 4,578.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 170.0 | 209.8 | 217.9 |
| Sector share of total | % | 6.3 | 6.6 | 6.8 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 247.50 | 293.91 | 308.84 |
| **Other Services (except Public Administration)** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 4,075.8 | 5,414.4 | 5,598.1 |
| Sector share of total | % | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 3,071.0 | 4,642.0 | 5,055.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 96.1 | 119.4 | 122.5 |
| Sector share of total | % | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 441.46 | 510.27 | 530.25 |
| **Public Administration** | | | | |
| GDP at basic prices (in chained 1997 $)[99] | M$ | 11,566.2 | 13,763.2 | 13,714.7 |
| Sector share of total | % | 6.8 | 6.3 | 6.2 |
| Employee remuneration[100] | M$ | 8,553.0 | 11,404.0 | 12,052.0 |
| Employees[103] | k | 180.0 | 184.5 | 183.2 |
| Sector share of total | % | 6.6 | 5.8 | 5.7 |
| Average weekly wage of employees[104] | $ | 703.92 | 896.07 | 916.64 |

## Québec's Administrative Regions

Cities of 100,000 inhabitants and over in 2006[19]

1 Montréal
2 Québec
3 Laval
4 Gatineau
5 Longueuil
6 Sherbrooke
7 Saguenay
8 Lévis
9 Trois-Rivières

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec.

# REGIONS AT A GLANCE



| | Year | Unit | Bas-Saint-Laurent 01 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 - Total area | 2007 | km² | 28,401 |
| 2 - Land area | 2007 | km² | 22,185 |
| 3 - RCMs and equivalent territories (on December 31) | 2006 | n | 8 |
| 4 - Local municipalities (on December 31) | 2006 | n | 116 |
| **5 - Population** | **2006** | **n** | **201,692** |
| 6 - Variation | 2006/2001 | % | 1.4 |
| 7 - Share of Québec population | 2006 | % | 2.6 |
| 8 - 0-14 years | 2006 | % | 14.5 |
| 9 - 15-64 years | 2006 | % | 68.7 |
| 10 - 65 years and over | 2006 | % | 16.8 |
| 11 - Density (population/land area) | 2006 | inhab./km² | 9.1 |
| **12 - Households** | **2001** | **n** | **81,825** |
| 13 - 1 person | 2001 | % | 28.5 |
| 14 - 2 people | 2001 | % | 34.2 |
| 15 - 3 or more people | 2001 | % | 37.3 |
| 16 - Average number of people per household | 2001 | n | 2.4 |
| 17 - Average income | 2000 | $ | 41,483 |
| **18 - Dwelling** | **2001** | **n** | **81,820** |
| 19 - Owned | 2001 | % | 69.4 |
| 20 - Rented | 2001 | % | 30.6 |
| **21 - Monthly Employment Assistance** (Social Security) | | | |
| 22 - Beneficiaries | 2006 | n | 13,666 |
| 23 - Households | 2006 | n | 9,918 |
| 24 - Total benefits paid | 2006 | k$ | 6,954.6 |
| **25 - Health and Social Services** | | | |
| 26 - Physicians per 1,000 people | 2005 | n | 2.10 |
| 27 - Real net expenditure per capita | 2005-2006 | $ | 3,081 |
| **28 - Education** (highest level of education attained) | | | |
| 29 - Studies prior to college | 2001 | % | 55.4 |
| 30 - Post-secondary studies prior to university | 2001 | % | 32.9 |
| 31 - University degree | 2001 | % | 11.7 |
| **32 - Labour Market** | | | |
| 33 - Labour force | 2006 | k | 101.0 |
| 34 - Working | 2006 | k | 91.9 |
| 35 - Unemployed | 2006 | k | 9.1 |
| 36 - Unemployment rate | 2006 | % | 9.0 |
| 37 - Employment rate | 2006 | % | 55.0 |
| 38 - Participation rate | 2006 | % | 60.4 |
| **39 - Income** | | | |
| 40 - Population aged 15 and over with income | 2001 | n | 152,390 |
| 41 - Average income | 2000 | $ | 22,352 |
| 42 - Share of employment income | 2000 | % | 69.3 |
| 43 - Share of government transfers | 2000 | % | 20.4 |
| 44 - Share of other income | 2000 | % | 10.2 |
| **45 - Manufacturing Sector** | | | |
| 46 - Revenue from goods manufactured | 2004 | M$ | 2,533.7 |
| **47 - Capital Spending** | **2006** | **M$** | **944.2** |
| 48 - Construction | 2006 | M$ | 494.7 |
| 49 - Machinery and equipment | 2006 | M$ | 449.5 |

# REGIONS AT A GLANCE



| Saguenay–Lac-Saint-Jean 02 | Capitale-Nationale 03 | Mauricie 04 | Estrie 05 | Montréal 06 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 106,508 | 20,992 | 39,924 | 10,508 | 624 | - 1 |
| 95,893 | 18,539 | 35,452 | 10,195 | 498 | - 2 |
| 5 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 1 | - 3 |
| 49 | 59 | 42 | 89 | 16 | - 4 |
| **274,095** | **671,468** | **260,461** | **302,161** | **1,873,971** | - 5 |
| 3.4 | 3.1 | 0.1 | 3.7 | 1.2 | - 6 |
| 3.6 | 6.6 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 24.5 | - 7 |
| 15.4 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 16.2 | 15.0 | - 8 |
| 70.0 | 70.7 | 68.3 | 68.8 | 69.8 | - 9 |
| 14.6 | 15.3 | 17.7 | 14.9 | 15.2 | - 10 |
| 2.9 | 36.0 | 7.3 | 29.6 | 3,761.6 | - 11 |
| **109,025** | **278,765** | **110,280** | **119,915** | **805,820** | - 12 |
| 24.7 | 33.0 | 32.3 | 30.9 | 37.7 | - 13 |
| 33.3 | 33.8 | 34.3 | 34.8 | 31.0 | - 14 |
| 42.0 | 33.2 | 33.4 | 34.3 | 31.4 | - 15 |
| 2.5 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 | - 16 |
| 46,890 | 49,833 | 42,369 | 44,301 | 49,429 | - 17 |
| **109,025** | **278,755** | **110,280** | **119,915** | **805,820** | - 18 |
| 66.1 | 55.7 | 61.3 | 60.8 | 35.8 | - 19 |
| 33.7 | 44.3 | 38.3 | 39.2 | 64.2 | - 20 |
| | | | | | - 21 |
| 18,788 | 34,867 | 24,254 | 20,742 | 179,730 | - 22 |
| 13,456 | 26,289 | 17,209 | 14,349 | 112,866 | - 23 |
| 9,099.8 | 17,827.4 | 11,610.8 | 9,891.9 | 77,162.3 | - 24 |
| | | | | | - 25 |
| 1.76 | 2.84 | 1.56 | 2.43 | 2.98 | - 26 |
| 2,721 | 3,411 | 2,503 | 2,823 | 3,612 | - 27 |
| | | | | | - 28 |
| 50.5 | 44.0 | 52.6 | 51.7 | 42.2 | - 29 |
| 37.6 | 35.9 | 35.4 | 33.8 | 32.2 | - 30 |
| 11.9 | 20.1 | 12.0 | 14.5 | 25.6 | - 31 |
| | | | | | - 32 |
| 137.7 | 365.2 | 123.6 | 159.2 | 1,045.5 | - 33 |
| 123.1 | 345.0 | 112.6 | 146.1 | 940.2 | - 34 |
| 14.6 | 20.2 | 11.0 | 13.1 | 105.4 | - 35 |
| 10.6 | 5.5 | 8.9 | 8.2 | 10.1 | - 36 |
| 54.9 | 61.6 | 52.0 | 59.3 | 59.4 | - 37 |
| 61.4 | 65.2 | 57.1 | 64.6 | 66.0 | - 38 |
| | | | | | - 39 |
| 206,085 | 501,949 | 196,575 | 216,585 | 1,414,375 | - 40 |
| 24,913 | 27,292 | 23,877 | 24,621 | 26,258 | - 41 |
| 74.6 | 74.0 | 69.3 | 72.3 | 73.5 | - 42 |
| 16.0 | 13.7 | 16.9 | 15.8 | 13.9 | - 43 |
| 9.3 | 12.3 | 12.3 | 11.8 | 12.7 | - 44 |
| | | | | | - 45 |
| 5,655.6 | 5,648.4 | 4,705.7 | 6,077.0 | 44,223.7 | - 46 |
| **1,323.5** | **3,898.0** | **1,823.8** | **1,881.1** | **11,856.1** | - 47 |
| 671.8 | 2,494.8 | 1,262.7 | 1,210.6 | 5,691.8 | - 48 |
| 651.7 | 1,403.1 | 561.2 | 670.6 | 5,964.3 | - 49 |

# REGIONS AT A GLANCE



| | Year | Unit | Outaouais |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 07 |
| 1 - Total area[1] | 2007 | km² | 34,074 |
| 2 - Land area | 2007 | km² | 30,504 |
| 3 - RCMs and equivalent territories (on December 31)[2][3] | 2006 | n | 5 |
| 4 - Local municipalities (on December 31)[2][3] | 2006 | n | 67 |
| **5 - Population**[4] | **2006** | **n** | **347,214** |
| 6 - Variation | 2006/2001 | % | 7.6 |
| 7 - Share of Québec population | 2006 | % | 4.5 |
| 8 - 0-14 years | 2006 | % | 17.4 |
| 9 - 15-64 years | 2006 | % | 71.5 |
| 10 - 65 years and over | 2006 | % | 11.1 |
| 11 - Density (population/land area) | 2006 | inhab./km² | 11.4 |
| **12 - Households**[4] | **2001** | **n** | **127,370** |
| 13 - 1 person | 2001 | % | 26.3 |
| 14 - 2 people | 2001 | % | 33.7 |
| 15 - 3 or more people | 2001 | % | 40.0 |
| 16 - Average number of people per household | 2001 | n | 2.5 |
| 17 - Average income | 2000 | $ | 54,728 |
| **18 - Dwelling**[4] | **2001** | **n** | **127,375** |
| 19 - Owned | 2001 | % | 65.2 |
| 20 - Rented | 2001 | % | 34.8 |
| **21 - Monthly Employment Assistance** (Social Security)[5][6][7] | | | |
| 22 - Beneficiaries | 2006 | n | 22,085 |
| 23 - Households | 2006 | n | 14,395 |
| 24 - Total benefits paid | 2006 | k$ | 9,838.8 |
| **25 - Health and Social Services**[8][9][10] | | | |
| 26 - Physicians per 1,000 people | 2005 | n | 1.51 |
| 27 - Real net expenditure per capita | 2005-2006 | $ | 2,012 |
| **28 - Education** (highest level of education attained)[11] | | | |
| 29 - Studies prior to college | 2001 | % | 48.8 |
| 30 - Post-secondary studies prior to university | 2001 | % | 33.3 |
| 31 - University degree | 2001 | % | 17.9 |
| **32 - Labour Market**[12][13] | | | |
| 33 - Labour force | 2006 | k | 197.7 |
| 34 - Working | 2006 | k | 185.9 |
| 35 - Unemployed | 2006 | k | 11.8 |
| 36 - Unemployment rate | 2006 | % | 6.0 |
| 37 - Employment rate | 2006 | % | 65.2 |
| 38 - Participation rate | 2006 | % | 69.3 |
| **39 - Income**[4] | | | |
| 40 - Population aged 15 and over with income | 2001 | n | 237,470 |
| 41 - Average income | 2000 | $ | 29,394 |
| 42 - Share of employment income | 2000 | % | 76.8 |
| 43 - Share of government transfers | 2000 | % | 11.7 |
| 44 - Share of other income | 2000 | % | 9.6 |
| **45 - Manufacturing Sector**[14] | | | |
| 46 - Revenue from goods manufactured | 2004 | M$ | 1,570.4 |
| **47 - Capital Spending** | **2006** | **M$** | **1,967.3** |
| 48 - Construction | 2006[r] | M$ | 1,350.6 |
| 49 - Machinery and equipment | 2006[r] | M$ | 616.7 |

# REGIONS AT A GLANCE

| Abitibi-Témiscamingue 08 | Côte-Nord 09 | Nord-du-Québec 10 | Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine 11 | Chaudière-Appalaches 12 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 64.656 | 351.523 | 890.553 | 78.172 | 16.127 | - 1 |
| 57.340 | 236.700 | 718.229 | 20.272 | 15.071 | - 2 |
| 5 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 10 | - 3 |
| 65 | 33 | 28 | 44 | 136 | - 4 |
| **144.835** | **95.948** | **40.637** | **95.872** | **397.827** | - 5 |
| 2.8 | 3.8 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 1.8 | - 6 |
| 1.9 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 5.2 | - 7 |
| 17.6 | 17.4 | 28.1 | 13.8 | 16.3 | - 8 |
| 69.6 | 70.7 | 66.7 | 68.6 | 69.5 | - 9 |
| 12.9 | 12.0 | 5.2 | 17.6 | 14.2 | - 10 |
| 2.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 4.7 | 26.4 | - 11 |
| **58.930** | **37.930** | **11.425** | **38.290** | **149.735** | - 12 |
| 27.6 | 23.5 | 20.1 | 23.3 | 25.4 | - 13 |
| 33.2 | 32.9 | 23.1 | 35.0 | 33.1 | - 14 |
| 39.1 | 43.6 | 57.9 | 41.7 | 41.5 | - 15 |
| 2.4 | 2.5 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 | - 16 |
| 45.625 | 51.164 | 54.927 | 40.910 | 46.522 | - 17 |
| **58.925** | **37.940** | **11.425** | **38.300** | **149.730** | - 18 |
| 65.8 | 69.1 | 42.3 | 75.7 | 72.8 | - 19 |
| 33.7 | 27.8 | 43.2 | 24.0 | 27.2 | - 20 |
| | | | | | - 21 |
| 9.792 | 4.910 | 2.146 | 9.178 | 15.813 | - 22 |
| 6.856 | 3.479 | 1.165 | 6.168 | 11.687 | - 23 |
| 4.610.3 | 2.342.5 | 755.3 | 4.431.8 | 8.084.0 | - 24 |
| | | | | | - 25 |
| 2.09 | 2.19 | 3.18 | 2.61 | 1.59 | - 26 |
| 2.962 | 3.256 | 7.254 | 3.684 | 2.205 | - 27 |
| | | | | | - 28 |
| 58.5 | 57.7 | 61.7 | 62.9 | 54.1 | - 29 |
| 31.0 | 33.6 | 30.6 | 28.9 | 34.4 | - 30 |
| 10.5 | 8.8 | 7.6 | 8.2 | 11.6 | - 31 |
| | | | | | - 32 |
| 73.8 | 56.2 [1] | [1] | 40.9 | 219.8 | - 33 |
| 67.0 | 51.6 [1] | [1] | 33.4 | 207.0 | - 34 |
| 6.8 | 4.6 [1] | [1] | 7.5 | 12.8 | - 35 |
| 9.2 | 8.2 [1] | [1] | 18.3 | 5.8 | - 36 |
| 58.1 | 57.6 [1] | [1] | 41.4 | 63.7 | - 37 |
| 64.0 | 62.7 [1] | [1] | 50.7 | 67.7 | - 38 |
| | | | | | - 39 |
| 107.010 | 71.395 | 24.655 | 74.245 | 290.015 | - 40 |
| 25.176 | 27.087 | 25.282 | 21.197 | 24.083 | - 41 |
| 74.8 | 78.5 | 80.9 | 65.1 | 75.8 | - 42 |
| 17.4 | 14.6 | 15.6 | 26.9 | 13.1 | - 43 |
| 7.8 | 6.7 | 3.4 | 7.9 | 9.1 | - 44 |
| | | | | | - 45 |
| 2.333.1 | 2.317.2 | 678.9 | 517.6 | 12.411.9 | - 46 |
| **1.440.1** | **1.557.4** | **1.392.1** | **451.9** | **2.599.0** | - 47 |
| 982.6 | 1.291.5 | 1.318.5 | 206.3 | 1.265.6 | - 48 |
| 457.5 | 265.9 | 73.6 | 245.6 | 1.333.4 | - 49 |

# REGIONS AT A GLANCE



| | Year | Unit | Laval |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 13 |
| 1 - Total area | 2007 | km | 267 |
| 2 - Land area | 2007 | km | 246 |
| 3 - RCMs and equivalent territories (on December 31) | 2006 | n | 1 |
| 4 - Local municipalities (on December 31) | 2006 | n | 1 |
| 5 - **Population** | **2006** | **n** | **376,845** |
| 6 - Variation | 2006/2001 | % | 7.7 |
| 7 - Share of Québec population | 2006 | % | 4.9 |
| 8 - 0-14 years | 2006 | % | 17.5 |
| 9 - 15-64 years | 2006 | % | 68.4 |
| 10 - 65 years and over | 2006 | % | 14.1 |
| 11 - Density (population/land area) | 2006 | inhab./km | 1,532.0 |
| 12 - **Households** | **2001** | **n** | **132,640** |
| 13 - 1 person | 2001 | % | 24.0 |
| 14 - 2 people | 2001 | % | 33.0 |
| 15 - 3 or more people | 2001 | % | 43.0 |
| 16 - Average number of people per household | 2001 | n | 2.6 |
| 17 - Average income | 2000 | $ | 57,716 |
| 18 - **Dwelling** | **2001** | **n** | **132,640** |
| 19 - Owned | 2001 | % | 66.4 |
| 20 - Rented | 2001 | % | 33.6 |
| 21 - **Monthly Employment Assistance** (Social Security) | | | |
| 22 - Beneficiaries | 2006 | n | 14,418 |
| 23 - Households | 2006 | n | 9,462 |
| 24 - Total benefits paid | 2006 | k$ | 6,546.0 |
| 25 - **Health and Social Services** | | | |
| 26 - Physicians per 1,000 people | 2005 | n | 1.43 |
| 27 - Real net expenditure per capita | 2005-2006 | $ | 1,831 |
| 28 - **Education** (highest level of education attained) | | | |
| 29 - Studies prior to college | 2001 | % | 46.7 |
| 30 - Post-secondary studies prior to university | 2001 | % | 35.6 |
| 31 - University degree | 2001 | % | 17.7 |
| 32 - **Labour Market** | | | |
| 33 - Labour force | 2006 | k | 200.8 |
| 34 - Working | 2006 | k | 187.5 |
| 35 - Unemployed | 2006 | k | 13.3 |
| 36 - Unemployment rate | 2006 | % | 6.6 |
| 37 - Employment rate | 2006 | % | 61.6 |
| 38 - Participation rate | 2006 | % | 65.9 |
| 39 - **Income** | | | |
| 40 - Population aged 15 and over with income | 2001 | n | 261,185 |
| 41 - Average income | 2000 | $ | 29,356 |
| 42 - Share of employment income | 2000 | % | 77.6 |
| 43 - Share of government transfers | 2000 | % | 11.8 |
| 44 - Share of other income | 2000 | % | 10.6 |
| 45 - **Manufacturing Sector** | | | |
| 46 - Revenue from goods manufactured | 2004 | M$ | 2,899.9 |
| 47 - **Capital Spending** | **2006** | **M$** | **2,468.9** |
| 48 - Construction | 2006 | M$ | 1,785.7 |
| 49 - Machinery and equipment | 2006 | M$ | 683.2 |

# REGIONS AT A GLANCE

| Lanaudière | Laurentides | Montérégie | Centre-du-Québec | Québec Province | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | | |
| 13,512 | 22,517 | 11,851 | 7,262 | 1,667,441 | - 1 |
| 12,313 | 20,560 | 11,111 | 6,921 | 1,312,126 | - 2 |
| 6 | 8 | 15 | 5 | 103 | - 3 |
| 59 | 76 | 178 | 81 | 1,139 | - 4 |
| **434,872** | **518,621** | **1,386,963** | **228,049** | **7,651,531** | - 5 |
| 9.8 | 9.9 | 5.7 | 2.4 | 3.4 | - 6 |
| 5.7 | 6.8 | 18.1 | 3.0 | 100.0 | - 7 |
| 17.8 | 18.0 | 17.5 | 16.8 | 16.2 | - 8 |
| 70.3 | 69.8 | 69.8 | 68.5 | 69.7 | - 9 |
| 11.9 | 12.2 | 12.7 | 14.8 | 14.1 | - 10 |
| 35.8 | 25.2 | 124.8 | 33.0 | 5.8 | - 11 |
| **147,055** | **180,625** | **500,560** | **87,870** | **2,978,115** | - 12 |
| 21.6 | 24.0 | 24.6 | 28.0 | 29.6 | - 13 |
| 33.6 | 34.5 | 33.7 | 34.0 | 33.0 | - 14 |
| 44.7 | 41.5 | 41.7 | 38.0 | 37.4 | - 15 |
| 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | - 16 |
| 51,024 | 52,391 | 55,458 | 43,501 | 49,998 | - 17 |
| **147,055** | **180,625** | **500,555** | **87,870** | **2,978,115** | - 18 |
| 74.7 | 70.0 | 67.4 | 67.2 | 57.9 | - 19 |
| 25.1 | 30.0 | 32.6 | 32.8 | 42.0 | - 20 |
| | | | | | - 21 |
| 22,133 | 24,910 | 65,534 | 14,805 | 506,540 | - 22 |
| 14,953 | 17,466 | 44,543 | 10,317 | 343,337 | - 23 |
| 10,140.4 | 11,854.5 | 30,677.1 | 7,004.4 | 233,910.8 | - 24 |
| | | | | | - 25 |
| 1.36 | 1.34 | 1.46 | ... | 2.07 | - 26 |
| 1,915 | 1,821 | 1,822 | ... | 2,683 | - 27 |
| | | | | | - 28 |
| 55.7 | 52.2 | 49.7 | 55.9 | 48.8 | - 29 |
| 33.8 | 34.6 | 34.8 | 34.4 | 34.0 | - 30 |
| 10.5 | 13.2 | 15.5 | 9.7 | 17.2 | - 31 |
| | | | | | - 32 |
| 227.4 | 270.5 | 750.6 | 124.2 | 4,094.2 | - 33 |
| 214.4 | 249.2 | 695.5 | 115.0 | 3,765.4 | - 34 |
| 13.0 | 21.3 | 55.1 | 9.2 | 328.7 | - 35 |
| 5.7 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 8.0 | - 36 |
| 62.3 | 59.9 | 62.7 | 62.6 | 60.2 | - 37 |
| 66.1 | 65.0 | 67.6 | 67.6 | 65.5 | - 38 |
| | | | | | - 39 |
| 285,375 | 341,635 | 961,135 | 163,550 | 5,506,245 | - 40 |
| 26,342 | 27,755 | 28,946 | 23,435 | 27,125 | - 41 |
| 77.0 | 76.8 | 77.7 | 73.3 | 75.1 | - 42 |
| 13.5 | 12.7 | 11.6 | 16.5 | 13.9 | - 43 |
| 9.6 | 10.5 | 10.7 | 10.2 | 11.0 | - 44 |
| | | | | | - 45 |
| 3,758.8 | 5,488.6 | 23,942.3 | 6,139.7 | 130,902.4 | - 46 |
| **2,714.6** | **3,611.0** | **9,504.0** | **1,295.0** | **50,728.4** | - 47 |
| 2,063.5 | 2,682.1 | 5,775.3 | 680.2 | 31,428.4 | - 48 |
| 651.1 | 928.9 | 3,728.7 | 614.8 | 19,300.0 | - 49 |

# SOURCES AND NOTES



1. Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, Direction des politiques territoriales; Direction de la cartographie générale et administrative.
2. Excluding Labrador, according to the 1927 layout (not final). Furthermore, this area is based on a compilation of data on Québec's borders at a 1/20,000 scale, an MTM (modified transverse Mercator) map projection calculation and the NAD83 geodesic reference system.
3. Including the St. Lawrence River from the east point of Île d'Orléans, the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the border established in 1964 with the Atlantic provinces, and the mouths of James, Hudson and Ungava bays and of Hudson Strait.
4. Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, Centre d'expertise hydrique du Québec. The areas in this column do not take provincial and international borders into account. Moreover, the data shown corresponds to the area in square kilometres of everything preceding (upstream of) the site indicated. The area of the St. Lawrence drainage basin extending to Cornwall, Ontario is 780 527 km$^2$.
5. Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, *Ressources et industries forestières. Portrait statistique, édition 2005-2006*.
6. The area includes the inland waters, but excludes the St. Lawrence River below the eastern tip of Île d'Orléans.
7. The forest tundra and the taiga form the sub-arctic forest.
8. Environment Canada, *Canadian Climate Normals or Averages, 1971-2000*.
9. Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, Service de la qualité de l'atmosphère.
10. RECYC-QUÉBEC, *Bilan 2004 de la gestion des matières résiduelles au Québec*. The generated waste represents the sum of the disposed and recycled quantities coming from municipal, industrial, commercial and institutional sectors (ICI), as well as from construction, renovation and demolition (CRD). Refer to the Bilan for more information on waste excluded from the reported data.
11. Statistics Canada, *Population Estimates* on July 1st.
12. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *La situation démographique au Québec*.
13. External causes are, for example, vehicular accidents, drowning accidents and suicides.
14. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*.
15. Common-law couples are comprised of unwed persons (by law), legally married couples (separated), divorced (by law) and widowed. In 2001, they included people of the same sex.

16. Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles.
17. The "Economic class" category notably includes skilled workers and business people. The "Other immigrants" category includes members of post-determination refugee claimants and humanitarian cases.
18. The Québec part of the Ottawa-Gatineau Census Metropolitan Area.
19. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Estimations de la population des municipalités* on July 1st, according to the geographic detail as of July 1st, 2006.
20. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*. In 1996, a census family was comprised of a husband and wife with or without single children, or one parent, with one or more single children, sharing the same dwelling. In the 2001 census, it was comprised of a married or common-law couple (opposite or same sex) with or without children, or one parent, with at least one child, sharing the same dwelling.
21. Statistics Canada, *General Social Survey*, CANSIM.
22. Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*. Compilation: Institut de la statistique du Québec. Also see Note 45.
23. Ministère de la Famille, des Aînés et de la Condition féminine, *Situation des centres de la petite enfance et des garderies au Québec. Analyse des rapports d'activité, 2003-2004* (published in January 2006) and *2004-2005* (forthcoming), *soumis par les services de garde*. The data are on children who attended day care in March 2004 and 2005. In 1995-1996, childcare centres, as we know them today, did not exist.
24. The "Single-attached house" category is primarily comprised of semi-detached houses and town houses. The "Apartment" category includes duplexes (stacked housing) and housing located in a multi-level building.
25. Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale, *Rapport statistique sur les prestataires du programme d'assistance-emploi, mars 2006*. Benefits (social security) paid out in March of each year.
26. Statistics Canada, *Canadian Community Health Survey*, cycles 2.1 and 3.1 (2003 and 2005), shared file. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Québec Survey of Tobacco, Alcohol, Drug use and Gambling in High School Students*, 2002 and 2004. Any comparisons between the data of 2003 and 2005 must be made with caution.
27. Includes those who consider their health status to be good, very good or excellent.
28. Persons having declared experiencing difficulties in their everyday lives or having a health status or health problem that reduces the quantity or type of activities they may engage in for a period of six months or longer.

29. Overweight is defined as a body mass index ($kg/m^2$) of 25.0 and over. The populations in the Cree and Inuit regions (health regions 17 and 18) are excluded from this aspect of the study.
30. Health professional means general practitioner, medical specialist, nurse, eye specialist, dentist or orthodontist, chiropractor, physiotherapist, social worker or counsellor, psychologist, speech therapist, audiologist, or occupational therapist.
31. Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, Service du développement de l'information.
32. Set-up beds are those that are staffed and ready to be used.
33. Regarding people who have found accommodation through the subsidized public and private establishment networks that have a permit from the Ministère.
34. Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport, *Statistiques de l'éducation. Enseignement primaire, secondaire, collégial et universitaire. Indicateurs de l'éducation*.
35. Excluding adult education centres.
36. Including nursery schools and kindergarten.
37. Including continuing education.
38. College and university graduates have been tallied by calendar year (1995, 2003 and 2004).
39. Including four Diplomas of Collegial Studies without distinction in 2003.
40. Excluding lecturers and teaching assistants.
41. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Observatoire de la culture et des communications du Québec. Ministère de la Culture et des Communications.
42. Including museums, interpretation sites and exhibition centres.
43. Supported by the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications du Québec.
44. Number of units sold, excluding music videos. Data provided by Nielsen SoundScan Inc., and compiled by the Observatoire de la culture et des communications du Québec.
45. Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*. The data from this survey were the subject of a revision in January 2006. Population aged 15 and over, excluding those living on Native reserves, full-time members of the Armed Forces and inmates.
46. Including unpaid family workers.
47. Including trade diplomas.
48. Statistics Canada, CANSIM II. Ordinary benefits as well as all other types of benefits are taken into account.
49. Ministère du Travail, *Le marché du travail* (1996) journal. Statistics Canada, special compilation by the Ministère, based on the *Labour Force Survey* (2004, 2005).
50. Ministère du Travail, Direction des données sur le travail et des décrets.

51. The reference group is composed of the bargaining units whose collective agreements govern 100 and over blue-collar employees (e.g. workers) or 50 and over white-collar workers (e.g. office employees).
52. Several Québec government collective agreements are not included in this data.
53. Statistics Canada, *Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics*. Individuals earning an income are those who declare earnings or another source of income.
54. Commission des normes du travail. The minimum wage on October 1 of 1996 and on May 1 of 2004 and 2005.
55. Families whose children are under 25 years of age.
56. Based on the Low Income Measure (LIM) after taxes, which corresponds to 50% of the average income after taxes and adjusted according to the family size.
57. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*. Data provided in constant year 2000 dollars.
58. Statistics Canada, *Family Expenditure in Canada* (1996) *and Spending Patterns in Canada* (2004, 2005). Any comparison between the 1996 data and the 2004 and 2005 data must be made with caution.
59. In 1996, expenditures allotted to the games of chance were not available.
60. Dividing the sum of non-mortgage loans to individuals by their disposable personal income, and then multiplying this result by 100 will give you the rate of consumer indebtedness.
61. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et sociales.
62. Statistics Canada, CANSIM.
63. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec, Commission de protection du territoire agricole, and Statistics Canada.
64. Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
65. Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec.
66. The northern limit of the intensive forest inventory has changed.
67. Territory where forests are managed on a time horizon of 120 years, within the sustained yield principle.
68. Including all land in which human activity caused a need other than forestry: roads, right-of-way energy transport lines, etc.
69. In an accessible, productive forest (slope less than 41%).
70. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Recensement annuel des mines, des carrières et des sablières*.

71. Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune.
72. Including municipalities.
73. Available electricity in accordance with a long-term contract signed by Hydro-Québec with Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation Limited.
74. Does not include the electricity consumed in power plants, nor the losses on transportation and distribution networks.
75. Commission de la construction du Québec, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, and Statistics Canada.
76. Statistics Canada, *Annual Survey of Manufactures and Logging*. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et sociales.
77. Including the Northwest Territories, Nunavut and the Yukon.
78. Commission des transports du Québec, Ministère des Transports du Québec, Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, Société des traversiers du Québec and Statistics Canada.
79. Maintained by the Ministère des Transports du Québec.
80. Public agencies of municipal and suburban transit systems.
81. Public and paratransit services.
82. For-hire motor carriers whereby the revenue is greater than two million dollars.
83. Operated by the Société des traversiers du Québec or in collaboration with a private company.
84. Statistics Canada, *Canadian Travel Survey* and *International Travel Survey*. In 2002, the methodology of the *Canadian Travel Survey* was modified by Statistics Canada. Based on this new foundation, the data from the years 1998 to 2001 were revised. Consequently, the data from 1996 cannot be compared to those from 2004 and 2005.
85. Visitors include both tourists and day-trippers. A tourist is a person who travels at least 80 kilometres where the length of stay was 24 hours and more and who used commercial or private accommodation. A day-tripper is a person who travels at least 80 kilometres but stays less than 24 hours and does not require accommodation.
86. Including expenditures by tourists and day-trippers, and all other expenses. The former represents the amounts spent in Québec by Québecers in anticipation of a trip outside of Québec. Monies paid to transportation companies outside Québec are excluded.
87. Statistics Canada, *Total spending on research and development in Canada, 1990 to 2006, and provinces, 1990 to 2004*, Service Bulletin "Science Statistics", September 2006; *Estimates of Canadian Research and Development Expenditures (GERD), Canada, 1995 to 2006, and by Province, 1995 to 2004*, September 2006; *Provincial Economic Accounts*, April 2006.

88. R&D work expenses incurred in Québec only.

89. Ministère du Développement économique, de l'Innovation et de l'Exportation (MDEIE). Cooperatives that have handed in their annual report to the MDEIE during the year.

90. Autorité des marchés financiers.

91. Designating trust companies and savings or mortgage loan corporations not affiliated with chartered banks.

92. The Bank of Canada bank rate in effect the last Wednesday of the month.

93. This includes life insurance, accidents, illness and annuity premiums.

94. Fires, accidents and various risks.

95. Statistics Canada, Investment and Capital Stock Division. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et sociales.

96. Statistics Canada, International Trade Division. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et sociales.

97. *Bank of Canada Banking and Financial Statistics*.

98. World Bank, Bureau of Economic Analysis, International Monetary Fund, Institut de la statistique du Québec, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Statistics Canada, U.S. Census Bureau.

99. Statistics Canada, Industry Accounts Division. The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at basic prices is prepared under the approach of added value and is expressed in 1997 dollars for the 1996 year and in chained 1997 dollars for the years 2004 and 2005.

100. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et sociales, Statistics Canada, Income and Expenditure Accounts Division.

101. Percentage of personal disposable income.

102. Ministère des Finances du Québec. The data for 1997-1998 and subsequent years complies with the government accounting reform; however, prior data does not reflect the impact of this reorganization. The 1997-1998 reform initiated, among other things, the consolidation of many organizations from the public sector. The results in the budget plan and the public accounts may differ by reason of the consolidation.

103. Statistics Canada, *Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours*. The population does not include the agriculture, fishing and trapping sectors, domestic services, households, religious organizations and the services of military defence personnel.

104. Including overtime.

105. Including 86 legal regional county municipalities (RCM) and 17 equivalent territories.

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106. Excluding the Amerindian and the unorganized territories.

107. In March 2006, we were unable to break down 8,769 beneficiaries and 8,730 sheltered households by region (for most single people admitted to a care centre, general hospital or rehabilitation centre) or under public curatorship, which represents 5,067,000 dollars in total monthly benefits paid. For this reason, the data for the sum of the regions differs from those of the whole of Québec.

108. The Centre-du-Québec region is included in the Mauricie.

109. Expenditure is based on the region of treatment. Includes the grants to community organizations, expenditures for the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec programs, those for the regional agencies and the net expenditures for the establishment network.

110. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*. Persons aged 15 and over. The level "Post-secondary studies prior to university" includes graduates from a trade school, even if, in certain cases, these graduates do not have a high school diploma. The level "University degree" includes certificate holders.

111. The Nord-du-Québec region is included in the Côte-Nord.

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